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CANADIAN PARLIAMENT WAR SESSION

Scene at the Opening of the House Was Businesslike Rather Than Brilliant

ORDERS-IN-COUNCIL ARE BROUGHT IN

sion of Facts Regarding Various War Measures

Ottawa, Aug. 18.-What will be re called as he "a ar Parliament," was opened this afternoon by H.R.H. te dealers have taken advantage of the Duke of Connaught. The opening cere | demand which the war alarm created mony was devoid of all social func- to raise the prices of flour, sugar, tions, such as have characterized simi- meats, fuel, hay, and many other As To Identity Of Troops In the safety and honour of my Empire. lar functions in the past, and in their things which are essential for daily stead was a silent evidence of deep needs. appreciation of the grave issues with which the Parliament of Canada has been called to deal.

Full Attendance

There was a full attendance of mem the Senate Chamber was rather business-like than brilliant. His Royal Highness and aides-de-camp were attired in service uniforms of khaki instead of the customary scarlet and gold lace, for the first time since Ottawa became the capital.

The soldiers taking part in the ceremony paraded in drill uniform.

The Duchess of Connaught, Princess Patricia with their ladies-in-waiting were the only ladies on the floor of the Senate Chamber.

Brought In Orders

Following the informal introduction of the bill respecting administration of oaths of office, by the Prime Minister, the House was placed in possession of the Orders-in-Council passed by the Government in connection with wor measures up to today, and the correspondence which had taken place between the Prime Ministed and Hon. Geo. Perley, acting High Commissioner at London.

Hon. J. D. Hazen brought down the Order-in-Council dealing with the organization of the Volunteer Naval Reserve in Canada.

On motion of Sir Robert Borden opening the debate on thea ddress in reply, was fixed for tomorrow.

BELGIAN WOMEN FOUGHT INVADERS WITH HOT WATER

Men Were Away With the Army, But Their Wives Got Into the Fight

DEFENDED A FACTORY

First With Rifles and Then With Just as Potenta Weapon

Paris, Aug. 16.—According to a special newspaper despatch, the women workers in the Belgian national arms factory at Herrstal, just outside of Liege, defended their village against the German attack.

The men were away serving in the army, and the women, according to the correspondent, swore that the German troops should not take the factory. They armed themselves with revolvers and other weapons, with which they repulsed several charges of the German Uhlans.

When their ammunition was exhausted the women barricaded themselves in the houses, from which they poured boiling water on the German soldiers in the streets.

The correspondent says 2,000 Germans were disabled by wounds or scalds. Children and old men shared in the defence of Herrstal, and on Friday the Belgian colors still floated from the factory building.

U.S.A. WOMEN RAISE WAR FUND

ing of the American Women's War will be fighting on the soil of a friend- on the citizens, and in case of failure St. John's. Fight they are all ready Davidson. Relief Society, held to-day, \$80,000 ly nation, to abstain from liquor and he will proclaim that it was not his to do, but idling away precious time Trusting you will find space for from \$25,000 to a few shillings.

Control Of The Price Of Food Will Now Be Undertaken By The Parliament Of Canada

Dominion Government Say They Do Not Propose To Allow Dealers, Wholesale, or Retail, To Take Advantage of the War to Squeeze The People

MILITARY PLANS

Names of Generals in Com

This is in contrast with the methods

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Armoury and when the Governor en-

tered one of those present called for

cheers which were given. There

were 14 out of the 25 present; what

colation this must be to those who

\$3.40 per 100 lbs. to \$7.

Union Party?

And They Cheered

Such were some of those who

SOME STRIKING EXAMPLES

OF LEFT-HANDED PATRIOTISM

Easy For Men Who Get Big Profits Out Of the

People On Foodstuffs Through the

Warescare To Shout For

Empire

paper the so called Citizen's Regi- and using the Governor that made

Many of those men present at that Chairman of the Committee, which is

meeting who cheered so boastfully a sure indication of coming failure.

or the most despised Governor New- One thousand Navay Reserve men

'oundland ever had-except ex-Gov- have been offered to Britain and ac-

ernor Williams-must have been well cepted, but where are they? There

primed over the big hauls made from are only 600 Naval Reserve men in

the people's pockets the past few the Colony. As things are now going

lays, for many of them are big pro- on there is no hope of securing 1000

vision dealers. What patriots! What Naval Reserve men. Many of the

men to cheer for Britain in her hour men now on duty are disgusted to

of need! What men to face the foe find they have been taken away from

if called upon-men that could raise the fishery just when a few quintals

flour from \$5.20 to \$7 per barrel that of fish was to be had, for while the

they had in stock and sugar from fishery North was a blank up to Aug

ment Committee met in the C.L.B. such success possible.

weeks which \$250,000 was really rob- that so called committee.

of indivdual commanders.

atre Of War

OF THE FRENCH

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 17.—Control of SECRECY VEILS food prices will be asked of Parliament by the Government as soon as the session opens. Hon Thomas Crothers is having a bill drafted along And House Put in Posses- the lines of the British Act. It is held that there is no justification to be found in present conditions for Refuse to Give Even the some of the advances which have been made in the prices of food and other

Not everywhere, but in many places

Just Begun

The indications received by the Government are that this movement upward of prices has just begun, and commends the discretion shown by that if it were allowed to develop the War Office in not divulging either bers of both Houses, and the scene in great distress might result. There- the names of the Generals in comfore, the Government proposes to take mand or giving particulars leading to control of prices. While a plan has the identification of the troops ennot yet been worked out it is under- gaged in the operations in Upper stood that if Parliament gives the Alsace Government the power asked for, and One of the newspapers commenting it undoubtedly will, the Government upon the reticence says that the will have enquiry made into every Japanese taught the French to make complaint that prices have been duly war silently and anonymously.

Adjustment

Where adjustment is necessary the Government will have cases passed upon by a judge, or in some cases by a board of judges, and either their finding will automatically fix the prices of necessities or the report of the judges will be made effective by an order of the Government. It is not proposed that dealers either wholesale or retail, shall be

allowed to take advantage of the war to squeeze the people.

FIRST WARSHIP THROUGH CANAL

Colon, Aug. 18.—The first warship to pass through the Panama Canal was the Peruvian destroyer Teniente Rodriguez, which made th trip this morning, when the steamer Admirai Devey also went, through.

UNITED STATES WILL KEEP OUT

Washington, Aug. 18.—Secretary of thunderous cheers must have been Kent and Clift; Dr. Lloyd and Dr. State Bryan refused today to discuss given. How those patriots' throats Mosdell apparently did not attend, the Japanese ultimatum with Hamel must have shivered. What a con- they probably discovered Morris's Haumhausen, the German attache. Later it was stated the Secretary have been fleeced \$250,000 as extra wished to remain absolutely neutral profits on provisions the last three of Morris, yet they will not act on

The United States had received no bed from the people under the pretext representations from the Kaiser's Gov- of war being on. ernment so far as Haumbausen could

in the whole affair.

FRENCH WELCOME BRITISH TROOPS

London, Aug. 18.—The British Expeditionary force landed on the shores of France without a single casualty. The reception of the British soldiers everywhere in France was most enthusiastic

800 RESERVISTS SAIL FOR FRANCE

Montreal, Aug. 18.—Eight hundred French reservists will sail from Montreal tomorrow morning. Many of the men lived in Canada, others came from the United States and Mexico.

GET GOOD ADVICE FROM KITCHENER

London, Aug. 18.—Every man of the Morris would be running the whole men from Conception, Trinity and British Expeditionary Force which has job in order to have the credit for all Bonavista Bays could report for duty that this Citizen's Committee is sack a little pamphlet, signed by Earl is cute enough to see that he got in- notified.

words of soldierly advice. was subscribed. Subscriptions ranged looting, and to be courteous to wo- fault—it was those who ran the af- here when they could earn enough to this long letter. men and no more than courteous. fair here that made the mess of it, support their families the coming

PUT DUTY FIRST SAYS THE KING TO THE TROOPS

King George's Stirring Message to Members of Expeditionary Force

FOR ENGLAND AND FOR/THE EMPIRE

His Majesty Declares His Implicit Confidence in the British Soldiery

London, Aug. 18-A stirring messags engaged about a million men on each from King George to the Expedition- side. ary force was read out to each regi-ALSO NO INFORMATION ment as it left its port of departure, under sealed orders, as follows:-

Various Parts Of the The-Belgium, whose country we are pledged to defend, has been attacked, and France is about to be invaded by the same powerful foe. Paris, Aug. 16.—The Paris press

> my soldiers. Duty is your watchword, and I know your duty will be nobly

> with deepest interest, and shall mark with eager satisfaction your daily progress. Indeed, your welfare will never be absent from my thoughts. "I pray God to bless and guard you,

and to bring you back victorious." Thorburn Regatta

of the war of 1870-71 when the name of the Generals were on every lip, The Thorburn Road Regatta takes and each act was discussed in draw- place at Healey's pond this afternoon, ing rooms as contributing to the glory weather permitting. An interesting programme has been arranged.

Couldn't Bind Them

He could not bind Mr. Coaker and

get him into the trap, but he suc-

ceeded apparently in getting Messra

motives and although they have not

openly declined to be made into tools

To make things worse those wise

acres elected Governor Davidson as

since that date even with traps.

Left Destitute

Germans Have To Stake All The Fortunes of War On One Big Engagement

Must Put Forward Every Effort to Gain the Impending Battle in Belgium, Because, With Russia Coming Down From the North, They Can't Afford To Lose

ing staked by the Germans on the suc- lines of communication with the world cess of the movement through Belgium are in the vigorous grasp of thousand Luxemburg. Thus, the fight there, ands of vigilant censors. which will undoubtedly be the greatest battle in history, may be expected to It is therefore impossible to indibe waged between Metz and Brussels. The battle fronts will be more than one hundred miles long and the forces

Unofficial opinion here varies as to which side will have preponderating strength in this battle, but, it is be-"You are leaving home to fight for lieved that in regard to numbers both

sides will be about equal. Getting in Touch.

The disjointed dispatches, telling of quence. cavalry engagements and so forth, must be taken as simply the first get-"I have implicit confidence in you, ting in touch of the hostile forces. It and would not lead to a clearer con-

London, Aug. 16.—Everything is be- and all telegraph and other possible

Kept in Dark. cate the exact nature or progress of the operations. Occasional brief messages from Belgian and French sources claim successes here and there,

Speculation Valuless

Speculation is even more valuless inet Ministers. may be expected that the great battle ception of what is happening than his khaki uniform, stepped from decide if an army composing a mil- many guns which is shaking the England and France rose from the in the neighborhood.

A damaging blow to Germany might Meanwhile, although absolute silence countries. not be decisive as between Germany is maintained regarding the move- General French drove to the and her western foes, but with Rus- ments of the fleets, great confidence Britsh Embassy, and his motor car sia almost ready to strike a serious was nispired this evening by an offi- all way through the streets was the defeat in Belgium or Northern France cial communication which shows that centre of a human whirlpool. Even might well put a sudden end to Ger- the North Sea is the only waterway in the police were excited and wholly the world about which the Admiralty unable to restrain the populace Until one side gains some decided is unable to give assurances of safety which surged, around the car advantage nothing reliable can be ex- to shipping. Within a single week the shouting clamorously "Hurrah for pected from either army, as theré are German mercantile marine has prac-French; Hurrah for England; Hurno war correspondents in the field, tically ceased to exist.

Prince Buelow Says Germans Would Fight World of Devils ades.

Berlin, Aug. 16. (Via Amsterdam burger Nachrichten to-day, conand London).-Prince Buelow, form-cludes with the striking phrase er German imperial chancellor, in a "Even if the world be filled with patriotic appeal to the German nation, devils, the German people will defend made in the columns of The Ham- and maintain its place in the sun."

Germany Has Authorised A Loan of \$1,325,000,000 and if it turns out good he will say it

Dear Sir,—I notice by yesterday's was his action in making the offer German Parliament Passes Seventy-Seven Emergency Bills Dealing Mostly With Financial Affiairs— Exportation Of Foodstuffs Prohibited

seven emergency bills. The first au- issue special paper which will have thorizes the extraordinary expendi- the same status as bank notes. ture of a \$1,325,000,000. The German bank notes, makes the Imperial Bank JAPAN EXPECTS pay a tax of five per cent. of the amount of notes in circulation in ex-

cess of the stock of cash. This provision is extended and the with only one signature to cover note gency. issues. All paper money issued by the Imperial Bank is now legal tender and exportation of all important foodstuffs and fodder is forbidden.

is doing no good for King or Country. the local population." Men Who Will Fight

5th some places have done fairly well If men must fight—and fight some of them will if the occasion arisecheered for Governor Davidson, so Many of the men called here are it won't be the provision dealers and young married men and they have newspaper editors or members of the One thing I regret, and that was left their families destitute, as they Government who will shoulder their the presence of Mr. Kent at that caught no fish up to when they left; guns and face the foe, but it will be meeting, as I presume he was there but now there is fish to get and they the common man-the fisherman, the as his name appear as one of the Fin- are stuffed like herring in a barrel sailor, the laborer, the tradesmanance Committee. Why did he not fol- on board the Calypso, and the call to low the example of the Leader of the active service is as far off as it was to arrange for a proper fighting regia week before the war opened. Most ment, some one representing those No one expects this Citizen's Regi- of the married men should be allow- men will have to come to the front ment Farce to be anything but a ed to return home, if within reach of or there will be little hope of sucfailure-for if it could be a success the telegraph offices. The married cess attending the business.

Anyway, most of the people believe landed in France carries in his knap- the success coming to it; but Morris any time within 24 hours after being bluff and the whole thing will end in Kitchener, containing two hundred to a hole by his big bluffing offer to They are getting nothing in the it on those he got the Governor to the Home Government and then to shape of training that they have not appoint as the Committee. The only The Field Marshall tells them to get out of it he used the Governor to already learned. They have nothing far-seeing one so far has been the fear God and honour the King and convene a political meeting and to do but idle away their time and man who publicly declined to be London, Aug. 18.—At the first meet- their country, to remember that they throw the whole responsibility over they may never be required to leave made a tool of by Morris or Governor

-A CLOSE OBSERVER

Berlin, Aug. 16 (via Copenhagen, The most remarkable bill of all delayed).—Germany is making severe grants up to nearly \$400,000,000 loans drain upon her financial reserve's on all sorts of stocks and securities in connection with the Imperial The Reichstag has passed seventy- Bank. Special loan institutions will

Washington, Aug. 18 .- Japan has ask count of the battle of Mulhausen; ed the United States to take over her "One and a half army corps enter-Imperial Bank can now buy bills Embassey at Berlin in case of emer- ed upon Alsace, while our troops

> less, were taken by the enemy who thrown back towards Beliert, but then marched toward Schermek, eight whose march afterward continued. miles from Saales, Alsace.

winter in a few days at the fishery, icarn if any treachery exists among teries, which had been rendered use-

MARSHAL FRENCH GETS AN OVATION FROMTHEFRENCH

Great Crowd Meets Famous English General at the Paris Station

ROUSING CHEERS FROM MULTITUDE

Women Hold Up Children So That They May See The Great Briton

Paris, Aug. 18.—Field-Marshal but none of these is of crucial import- Sir John French arrived at Paris ance, and as the passing of every shortly after midnight Saturday to hour must obviously alter the face of convey the salutations of the Britbattle, and probably produce alternatish nation to France. The Coming advantages, none of the reports mander-in-Chief of the Britsh Exwhich filter through in the next ten or peditionary Army was welcomed by twelve hours can be of much conse- distinguished officers of the French General Staff, the British Ambassador and a number of French Cab-

As General French, dressed in will be on for several days. It will could be derived from the thunder of the train a roar of cheering for "I shall follow your every movement lion men in the field can be fed or houses of Mastricht and other towns great crowd of people who sang the National anothems of the two

rah for France."

Women held children above the crowd to see the famous English General whose motor car was soon filled with small flags and cock-

After sleeping at the Embassy Sir John French paid a vist to the Palace Elysee where he had a conference with President Poincaire.

GERMANS ADMIT MEETING DEFEAT AT MULHAUSEN

Say They Drove French Back First and Then Had to Retire

AND LOST SECTION OF THEIR ARTILLERY

Holding An Investigation To Learn if Population Prov ed Treacherous

Berlin, Aug. 18.—The Wolff bureau, TO PLAY A PART a semi-official German news agency, yesterday gave out the following ac were still concentrating. Neverthe-

"A small section of artillery from "An investigation is being held to Strassburg was defeated, and two bat-(Concluded in column 6)

icss we attacked the enemy, who was

STRIKING FIGURES ON GREATEST WAR IN HISTORY

Based on the latest figures obtainable, approximately 82 per cent. of the population of Europe is at war. Of an estimated total of 495,773,000 persons in all Europe, nations having an approximate total of 407,073,000 inhabitants are fighting against each other with a total army strength in time of war of about 18,700,000 men. The statistics of the eight warring nations are

approximately as follows:	Was store of a bar
Est. Population	War strength of a'y
Russia 160.000.000	5,.400.000
Germany 64.000.000	4.350.000
Austria-Hungary 51.340.000	1.820.000
England (United K'd'm) 45.000.000	800.000
France 39.601.000	2.500.000
Italy 34.700.000	3.220.000‡
Belgium 7.432.000	340.000
Servia 4.000.000	270.000
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‡—The figures for the Italian army include about 2,000,000 territorials who are only partially trained.

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ripe, a good deal is cut and bound in sheaves. Bands of students and Hardly, but adverusers should schoolboys have volunteered to gather it in. Women toil day and night in the fields. But still the loss of food is incalculable.

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LOSSES ALREADY

London, Aug. 14.—Ordinary

people suffer in London. In Ber-

lin they suffer more. When the full

levy of all between the ages of

twenty and fifty years is complete,

it is estimated that about nine mil-

lion Germans will be at war or

Prices are rushing up fast. The

Government has tried to fix the

salt, but still the cost of living has

doubled. The families of the re-

servists have to live somehow. The

der which stricken wives may apply

extra for every childunder four-

teen years old, but it is a hard

odging of officers, down to

Enormous Food Loss.



PATRIOTISM RULING SPIRIT OF ALL BELGIUM

price of rye, wheat flour, maize and All Classes Volunteering for Active Service in the Field

Government has issued forms un- EVEN THE WOUNDED

for an allowance with something Will Scarcely Wait for Hurts to Heal Before Rejoining pinch. The Government has also Forces issued regulations for the billeting

of soldiers in private houses, the Brussels, Aug. 14.—The popupayment ranging from \$1.75 for lace has adapted itself readily to the system of government under cents for soldiers. But this is litmartial law which has facilitated tle against the expense of the the maintenance of order and has helped the authorities to discover and arrest numerous persons sus-Then there is the harvest. It is pected of acting as German spies.

Troops Are Spirited. Patriotic enthusiasm reigns

among all classes and thousands of volunteers have joined the young recruits called to the colors to assist in the national defence. All the troops sent to the front have displayed excellent spirit while MAIL AND ADVOCATE many of the soldiers wounded at

Liege have asked to be sent to re-join their regiments as soon as Over Two Million Men Engaged, their wounds have been healed. Confidence that the final outcome of the war will be victory

for the Belgians is general here. German Socialists Quit.

were Socialists...

THERE IS NO

COMPARISON

Beside Reserves Forming the Rear

London, Aug. 16.—The Times' mili- have reached Loerrach, and three tary expert judges from the various German corps which at present have A German officer and a number countries' data that the bulk of the not been located. Their general disof German soldiers, who surrender- great German armies to operate position, however, is quite clear. With ed to the Belgians at Liege, declar against France is located northward the Austrians in Loerrach and in ed they had done so because they of Lorraine. His opinion is that Alsace is the 15th German corps. twenty army corps are ready to ad- The 21st German corps is between They condemned the war as un- vance, including the 14th Austrian Metz and Saarburg, and all the others

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corps, which, according to reports, are northward from the line between Saarbruck, Thionville and Montagny, showing that an advance through the Belgian Ardennes is intended. Six German corps are on the Russian

The figures of the German combatant strength in the west are given as 783,000 infantry, 65, 000 cavalry; 4,416 guns and 1,488 machine guns, making a first line strength, disregarding the reserves forming the rear, of approximately one million. France and her allies outnumber these, and there is no reason why they should not at least arrest the German offen sive movement, in which case the German plan of campaign will col-

The xpert thinks the chief danger is lest von Emmich's army and its supporting corps of cavalry should overwhelm the Belgian field army, He sees a multitude of disadvantages in the German plan, but thinks they all are atoned for by the fact that the mass of the army is able to act together in any direction. It is assumed that the Germans hope to outflank the French on the north and give them a knock-out blow, following with a relentless and shattering pursuit, but he is confident that the French can prevent them.

The Times' expert foresees that it will be the most frightfully destructive collission in modern history.

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FLASHLIGHTS ON THE BRITISH FLEET

4.---NAVAL SUPREMACY.

Pitt, speaking on the Navy, said | present day. "It is the natural defence of this kingdom against invasion." Naturally this is so, for in an Island Enpire a fleet-and a very powerful one-is absolutely necessary. For in time of war the functions of our fleet will be, firstly, to bring the enemy to action, and, if possible, destroy them, or, at least, drive him back to his war ports and there set up a blockade. For this work we must have a fleet of overwhelming

Learning from Other People's Wars to blockade the sixteen Spaniards. than £10,000,000 higher. But the case of Japan was different, that those lumping big black steamcontinuous stream into our ports are must enter our water-gates day and the councils of Europe rests. night every minute throughout the year. Therefore the British policy is, immediately upon the opening of hostilities, to seek out the enemy and smash him by superior numbers, and then strictly blockade the rest of his fleet within his war ports.

Never Fired in Anger

Many of our legislators, who about a month or so ago saw our vast Armada assembled at Spithead prior to the commencement of this year's naval monoeuvres, must have had the idea that in this vast assembly of ships we were secure; but there is nothing more deceptive than exhibitions of this kind. Neither Members of Parliament nor the general public are able to compare the force available with the danger which is immi nent. Many of those who looked upon the sight of forty miles of steel clad fighting ships did not do so with pride and with the determination tha at all costs British sea supremacy must be maintained, but in the nar row spirit of the economist, who will run the greatest risks to reduce the expenditure upon these huge death dealing machines that must be built live their brief and costly life, and then retire to the ship-breaker with out ever firing a gun in anger. Bu the mere fact that there has been no gun fired in anger in home waters for so many years is simply because our insurance policy premiums (that is the cost of our fleet) are regularly

The Great Race

As most of us know, the great race for naval supremacy is between Germany and ourselves. From the table recently published by Mr. Alan H. Burgoyne, M.P., we find that by January, we shall have thirty-six Dreadnoughts complete; Germany by that ime means to have at least twentythree ships ready, giving us a ma jority of thirteen. Next on the table we find that France hopes to have thirteen ships completed, which means that our keenest rival is ten ahead of anyone else, which gives an idea how Germany and ourselves are panting right away ahead of all the others. Hence our vast expenditure upon the Navy, and the danger we have to guard against, write against speak against and depict by graphic diagram drawings in our press is-

In view of the recent new German Naval Act we are forced into even greater expenditure upon our fleet. Let us take their Navy Act of 1898 and compare it with the Act of 1912. In the former there were to be two squadrons of eight battleships, fice they should be cashed the largest battleship displacing 10, 614 tons; in the latter Act there are to be five squadrons each of eight date stamped by the Postships, the biggest vessel displacing master and forwarded as cash 24,100 tons. By the Act of 1898 six to the General Post Office large cruisers were provided, the when remitting for stamps, there are to be twelve large cruisers- &c., or they may be forwardof-the-line, the biggest displacing 22,- ed as Money Order remit-600 tons, whilst against the sixteen tance or for deposit to the small cruisers of 1898 to-day thirty Bank of Montreal. vessels are provided for. In 1898 she had seventy-two destroyers, to-day she has just twice that number; in and should be cashed at the 1898 she did not possess a single sub- rate of \$4.86 to the £. marine, whilst by the law of the present Act she is to have seventytwo of these under-water fighters;

TUST over a hundred years ago. personnel has jumped to 80,000 at the The Creck of Economy During the last four years of 1905-9 a decline was shown in our ship

construction, compared with 1904, of period the German expenditure increased by over £23,000,000. year Germany is spending on her help from France. fleet over £22,000,000, whilst our expenditure will be something over £44,600,000. This sum, double that of the German disbursement on her During the two naval wars of consideration that our Navy is organmodern times, namely, between Spain ised on the basis of voluntary serand the United States and Russia and vice, and Germany that of conscrip- a campaign may be altered in a single Japan, in each case the last-mention- tion, which is, of course, considerably stroke. By their first successful ated nations had a vastly superior fleet. cheaper. It is computed that if Ger- tack upon the Russian battleships in In the case of Spain and America, the many had the same system as our- Port Arthur the Japanese altered the fifty American ships were easily able selves her estimates would be no less

for with her one hundred ships, com- money now to make up for lost time seven, the balance was closer. Yet, example, the question of torpedo-boat derance, she was only able to effect- to 1909, inclusive, we completed four- of causes. ively blockade Port Arthur, and leave teen boats to Germany's forty, so that the Vladivostock cruisers free to we now have to spend lavishly to add come and go, with consequences to our flotillas the necessary new craft. So great has been the pressure upon our resources that the fleet has too heavily on our pre-Dreadnoughts been removed from the Mediterranean and brought into home waters; and though the strategic centre of Europe pouring in the very necessities of life has shifted from the Southern to the to keep the 43,000,000 men, women Northern seas, the Mediterranean réand children of the United Kingdom | mains the key to the Empire and th from starvation. £400 worth of food base upon which British prestige in

Italy's Great Strides

The removal of the fleet from the Middle Sea undoubtedly weakens th hands of our diplomats in the dis cussion of all those problems which the present Turco-Italian war has set in motion. Thus the defence of our Mediterranean interests is left to our friends across the Channel. It seems clear by the rapid growth of the Italian Navy-Dreadnought after Dreadnought succeeding each other upon the building slips-that Italy is either acting under pressure from Berlin or as the result of rivalry be ween her interests and those Austria in the Adriatic. But fidelity with which successive Italian Governments had adhered to Triple Alliance obliges us to consider the eventuality of a conflict between the Triple Alliance and the Triple

Assuming that war broke out in of Powers, it would mean that France would have thirteen completed Dreadnoughts, Italy six, and Austria even, and that there would be ninety our 12-inch (or larger) and thirtysix 9.4 French guns against the one

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hundred and thirty-four 12-inch and twelve 9.4-inch guns of Austria and Italy, which would undoubtedly mean that Russia would have to break through the Dardanelles with her Black Sea fleet, and we should have to spare some of our precious vessels to go south to the help of our neighbor; whilst in northern waters Great roughly, £31,000,000, and in the same Britain would have the help of the Russian squadrons in attacking Ger-This many, but, of couse, would have no

What About a Margin?

No doubt in battleships-that is, in the number of units-we are superior to any two powers, but we have not fleet, does not really represent so that margin of safety that is absolarge a margin, for we must take into lutely required. The torpedo and the mine in modern war play such an imwhole story of the war. Therefore we must equally guard against this Furthermore, we are spending chance of sudden attack and have a sufficient number of great, first-class pared with the Russian seventy-dropped a few years ago. Take, for fighting ships "up our sleeve" to replace those destroyed in action or with the marked Japanese prepon- destroyers, and we find that from 1906 put hors de combat by any manner

Thirteen Dreadnought battleships in three years' time will really represent our margin over one power only. For we must now learn not to lean which are, year by year, dropping out of the service. This means that we must continue to pour our gold upon the waters, for though unquestionably our ships are superior in power and construction to those of Germany, the difference is now but a fraction to what it was half a dozen years ago; and we must keep building hard, for in that alone we shall be able to keep ahead in the race. By the mere fact of having ships in sufficient numbers to defend our possessions we shall be able to prevent war.

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OUR POINT OF VIEW

Open The Legislature

GAIN WE DEMAND that action got no cent." be taken by the Government to the Colony. The run on the Banks must not be permitted to strangle the financial condition of the Colony.

Gold must not be hoarded away. Provision dealers who have demanded \$7 for flour that cost \$5.20 should be compelled to give over their grab to the Treasury if impossible to return it to the owners.

Those who purchased flour before the advance should be compelled to sell at reasonable profits, say 50c. terfering." per barrel.

months in order to secure the produce of this season's voyage. Provision must be made for the

construction of the remaining branch railways and for necessary local public works in the districts that have be heard in the land this winter, and come short of a catch of fish.

THE OFFERING of 1,000 reservists and a land regiment was a mistake as there was no real need of so doing at the time it was made. If the need arise thousands will

volunteer, but at the present time.

According to the number-20,000-

offered by Canada, with a population of 8,000,000, we would be doing as good had we offered 500 men all told. We have offered to raise and equip 1,500 men which would mean 48,000 for Canada at the same rate of population. Why should the Government attempt to outdo Canada? Is it to make a big show at the fishermen's expense and scoop in a few more blue ribbons for a few Government officials, or is it intended to hasten the blue ruin which the Government so strongly desire, should overtake

Colony? men is apparent Newfoundland will endorsing the action of his adminisstand by the Mother Country and shed the blood of her bravest sons in defence of British liberties and freedom, but there was no genuine reason for offering 1,500 men when 500 could well serve the same purpose.

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F THIS COUNTRY had not ere this learnt that Sir Edward Morris is not capable of rising to the need of any great emergency that humiliating lesson has been well taught by the present war crisis.

This is the occasion in which Sir Edward might have shown that able statesmanship that knows how "to take occasion by the hand," and have conferred immense benefits on a sorely tried people.

Not only has he failed to do thishe has shown that his neglect of duty has been deliberate and in his case as in the Bibical instance, knowing the right and failing to do it, he shall be punished by the electorate of Newfoundland many times over.

WHAT IS THE SITUATION that confronts us at present?

* * * *

Our shore fishery is an absolute failure and reports from the Labrador are none too bright. It is plain therefore, that even under normal circumstances, our fishermen would find it difficult to make provision for the winter.

But the present circumstances are abnormal. Not only is there no advance in price as a result of the short eatch of fish, but fishermen cannot even obtain the prices that have ruled for the past couple of years: still worse, they are forced to sell at three dollars per quintal below the price paid them last year. It is use less, therefore, to expect the ordinary toiler of this country to live for the next twelve months off the proceeds

of this season's catch. Then what are our people to do? Go to Bell Island?

There is no work there, for the Companies have already paid off all their men. Start for Sydney for the steel plant

or coal mines? That would be useless, because al most every day scores of men are now returning home from Nova

Scotia finding it impossible to get employment there. Work on the railroads?

This avenue of employment is also virtually closed to them, because railroad construction is practically stopped for the season.

Our toiler, then, is up against stone wall, no matter in what direction he may decide to turn for employment to earn enough to make provision for the winter.

And Sir Edward Morris says there is nothing in that situation to justify the Government in taking any action. * * * *

UT THE CIRCUMSTANCES are **D** gloomier even than that.

Even if provisions were sold at normal prices, the penniless fisherman could not afford to purchase, because the failure of the fishery has left him without the means and "meat's dear at even a cent a pound, if you haven't

War conditions are prevailing now meet the financial condition of and many dealers do not scruple to make this an excuse for bleeding the purchaser of additional profits even on goods that were purchased before war was declared or any such event-

uality expected to take place. Such a condition appeals to the average man as most serious, but the Premier of this country has announce ed through his party organs that "there is nothing in the present situation to justify the Government in in-

Thousands of people in this coun-Merchants now on the brink of try, then, face destitution and who i bankruptcy must be aided for a few to blame for neglecting to take the necessary steps to obviate it?

Sir Edward Morris, Premier o Newfoundland.

The wail of the hungry infant and the moan of the starving mother will whose is the fault?

Sir Edward Morris, Premier o Newfoundland. * * * *

THE PREMIER HAS NOT been ask-I ed to take any steps out of the ordinary, for Great Britain and Canada have already shown him just what should be done to cope with the situation.

More than this the Opposition urged him the pressing nature of the situation, asked him to take action and offered to co-operate with him in such measure as it was felt the circumstances called for.

But he refused. And he went still further.

He undertook to deal with the question of helping the Empire fight its battles, asking only for the advice and assistance of his party followers And when the innocent public had assented to a set of resolutions at a recent general meeting in this city, he We repeat that when the need of | coolly informed them that they were

Sir Edward Morris, then, stands convicted of an attempt to exploit the patriotic feelings aroused in our people by the present war in an attempt to rehabilitate his party in the eyes of the public. He has attempted to

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him, by playing on the deepest, most sacred feelings of the people of Newfoundland. * * * *

CIR EDWARD MORRIS, Premier of Newfoundland, has failed the Empire and has disappointed his own people in a contingency when both required him worst.

And why? Why was not the Leglisature called together, as the Opposition re-

Because Sir Edward Morris realised his weakness in the Assembly and feared that such a step might lose him the Government.

Why did he ignore the Opposition in drafting the Resolutions presented to the Public Meeting?

Because he evidently decided that it would be good politics to keep the matter partisan and thus be in a position to claim for his administration all the credit for any steps that might be taken. * * * *

NY OTHER REASONS for his fail-A ure, or rather his refusal, to convene the Assembly and legislate relief for the business men of this Col-

Well, to relieve one business would be to relieve all, and who would expect the leader of the present Government to afford relief to the Trading Company, even by accident. Fortunately the Trading Company needs no legislative relief, but it has been stated that the Premier hoped that the present financial stringency afforded him a chance to drive Coaker's influence together.

ward Morris has played on patriotism public in an attempt to regain popularity and that he has made his patriotism second to partisanship.

He figures as the greatest failure of all our political experiences.

A Warning

THE PRICES of the necessaries of life have been steadily mounting up until some of the commodities were at famine prices, says an English paper. This was a quite unnecessary hardship imposed on the public by the dealers who, without having had to pay a single penny more for their produce, have with their stocks in hand been able to obtain enhanced prices.

The situation had become so serious by Wednesday that the Government took the matter in hand and THE news of the landing of British purpose dealing stringently with extortioners. The Board of Trade have

THERE IS ABUNDANCE of food in tified stronghold, has been the scene

wheat famine will arise. fears of scarcity are groundless.

of potatoes and vegetables, and with by the armies commanded by Marlborall these foodstuffs at our disposal ough and Prince Eugene, the last and there is no need for panic.

British Common Sense

TN the British House of Commons THE region northward and west-Mr. Runciman introduced a one-L clause Bill to deal with the unreasonable withholding of foodstuffs. Meuse at Namur, upon which the atten He said that while the process of tion of the whole world is now centred,

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curred of great hardship on the poorer classes owing to the panic and greed of the better-to-do people who had already disgraced themselves (hear, hear).

They had placed queues of motors at stores, and carried off as much provisions as the stores would sell. The panic was over, and he hoped they had seen the last of it (hear,

There would, of course, be a rise in the price of foodstuffs, but that would mean that there would be a larger importation, and, as a matter of fact, things were coming in better than had been anticipated.

F THE BOARD OF TRADE enforced the same powers for the re-Company to the wall and kill it and quisition of foodstuffs as the Naval and Military authorities had, it It is plain, therefore, that Sir Ed- would have a steadying effect on the

> The powers would not be used unless there was deliberate and unreasonable withholding of supplies.

The greatest of the wholesalers and of the retailers had shown a ready willingness to fall in with such arrangements as would prevent exploitation.

He hoped the arrangements which had been made would enable them to dispense altogether with any exercise of the powers they now sought.

Lord R. Cecil wanted the Government to consider the possibility of some provision to prevent the hoarding of food by private individuals. The Bill passed through all its

Britain's Inspiration

regiments at Calais and Ostead and of their hastening towards issued a warning that every member Namur to join the French forces calls of the public who discovers that any to mind many an inspiring page of tradesman is charged increased history bearing the record of British prices for food is requested to for- heroism in times past. All that region ward his name and address to the of Belgium, the Brabant of old, has Commercial Department, Board of again and again in history been the Trade Offices, Gwydyr House, White-scene of great battles in which Brithall, S.W., when drastic steps will be ish valor prevailed, battles that have taken by the Government against been decisive turning points in his-

Namur itself, now a formidably for-

the country, and the overseas of many sieges and battles, in which supplies continue to come in without the British bore their part. Thirteen interruption. There is a supply of miles northeastward from it is Ramwheat in the country which will last liles, where Marlborough won his famfor four months, and there is no con- ous victory in 1706. About the same ceivable circumstance in which a distance northwestward is Quatre Bras where the British won the important Meat is plentiful, there being, in victory that preceded by three days addition to large home supplies, the battle of Waterloo, fought some heavy consignments of foreign meat ten miles further on the way from in cold storage. The supplies from Namur to Brussels; and, to name one the Argentine and from the Colonies more famous battle in that region, are not in any way menaced, and there is the one Marlborough wrotel of as "the very murdering battle" of The same bright story may be told Malplaquet, won in September, 1709, greatest pitched battle of that war. Malqlaquet is twenty-five miles west from Namur. * * * *

ward for 25 miles from the junction of the river Sambre and regain the popularity which his seven cornering was not in general appli- has seen British valor give proof of

when, in the words of Tennyson's noble ode on the death of Wellington,

"One that sought but Duty's iron

er down:

Waterloo!"

A day of onsets and despair! Dashed on every rocky square, selves away.

overthrew. So great a soldier taught us there What long-enduring hearts could do, In that great world-earthquake, other.

armed in the justice of his case.

"The spirits of your fathers Shall start from every wave."

men on land and the men on sea, gress even as she has in things scienwhose inspiration from the past, felt tific and industrial. by every living soul in the Empire, For the citizen who is allowed the

northwest died away: reeking into Cadiz Bay: Bluish 'mid the burning waters, full in

face Trafalgar lay; In the dimmest northeast distance D she is autocratic and the ambi-

to god to praise and pray,

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WAR POEMS THAT WILL STIR THE EMPIRE.

London, Aug. 10.-Alfred Noyes, whose recent cam-

paign in the United States will be remembered, contributes

a poem to the Daily Mail entitled, "The United Front." In

the introduction Noyes says that the Kaiser, in reply to Bel-

gium, has placed definitely on record for all future ages,

that the destiny of the German depends upon his right to

violate guarantees, tear up treaties and dishonor his word.

Thus only should it have come, if come it must,

Not with a riot of flags or a mob-born cry,

Of calumny for peace and watched her die,

Her 'scutcheon rent from sky and outraged sky

By felon hands, and trampled into dust.

It is God's answer. Though for many a year

Now, as her fleets cast off the North Sea foam,

Britain remembers, and her sword strikes home.

At last we know you, war lord. You that flung

Publish your heart and let its pent hate pour-

You that had God forever on your tongue.

Who sets the fire accurst that flames today.

And not by earth shall he be soon forgiven

The gauntlet down, fling down the mask you wore,

Thrice armed in all the majesty of her fate,

Casting aside all faction and all fear,

net to "The Troubles of World." It begins:

The sonnet ends:

This land forgot the faith that made her great,

William Watson contributes to the London Times a son-

And pure and proud as heaven, wherein we trust,

We who have fought for peace have dared the thrust

But with a noble faith, a conscience high,

silent over Africa."

Two verses follow:

Tremendous Issue

arms in the present titanic protection of her sea-borne com-On that loud Sabbath shook the spoil- struggle on the European Continent. merce. A win for Germany would involve And her course in the present war changes so general and so far-reach- striking resembles that which she ing in their effects that it is difficult has followed on more than one his-Their surging changes foamed them- for the mind of the average man to toric occasion. Almost half a cengrasp them and, on the whole, most tury ago she suddenly made war on And down we swept and charged and of us are not fully cognisant of the Austria, her present ally, and the significance of the war between the Battle of Sadowa added much new dual alliance on the one side and territory to her domains. In the

ficant of the differing missions of the neither anticipated nor were pre-It is all historic ground where ev- nations involved. On the one hand pared for hostilities. In the War of ery British soldier will tread in the we see Germany and Austria, autofootsteps of British soldiers, whose cratic and military-mad both of them. a time when the French Army was spirits will inspire him to acquit him- thrusting, by dishonorable tactics half disbanded and, by force of arms, self in a manner worthy of the most general hostilities upon nations glorioust raditions of his race in this whose glory is that national issues Lorraine. war, in which every soldier of Great are decided by the general people and Britain, France and Belgium is thrice- not by some unscrupulous, self-will- FERMANY HAS expanded through ed despot.

It is plain, therefore, that if Great THE British regiments in Belgium Britain and her allies can crush Gerthus have a like inspiration many and rehabilitate its Government with that which thrill every so that the people and not the Kaiser man on every ship of the British fleet: control national affairs, they will render an enormous service to mankind. Too long has Germany been allowed to menace the peace of the world; now she must be so reformed The meteor flag of Britain will be that she will take her place in the upheld now, as in the past, by the van of the march of democratic pro-

finds such fine expression in Brown- Divine Right of thinking and acting ing's "Home Thoughts from the Sea." for himself recognises that there is a great community of interests be-"Nobly, nobly Cape St. Vincent to the tween the civilised nations of the world and that any widespread war Sunset ran one glorious blood-red must inevitably be disastrous-directly or indirectly—to all affected.

DUT GERMANY is not democraticdawn'd Gibraltar, grand and tions of a military and despotic class rather than considerations of the Here, and here did England help me general public weal inspire her ac-How can I help England!"-say, tions and dictate her foreign policy. Whoso turns as I, this evening, turn She gained her present political standing amongst the other nations While Jove's planet rises yonder, of Europe by preying on nations either too weak or utterly unprepared to resist her attacks. And that she is still prepared to secure expan-MAIL AND ADVOCATE sion by following the same policy is

proven by the great army she has created and by her possession of a OST TREMENDOUS are the is- navy of a strength utterly unnecessues to be decided by trial of sary if intended solely for legitimate

Great Britain and her allies on the same way she filched the Provinces of Schleswig and Holstein from Den-The present war is in itself signi- mark, at a time when the Danes 1870-71 she descended on France at annexed the Provinces of Alsace and

> success in war and that success has usually been achieved by lulling her neighbors into a sense of security and then suddenly disturbing their peaceful dreaming by armed invasion. Time and again have the predatory instincts of Germany led her to disturb the peace of the Continent of Europe and now the nations generally recognise that neither sense of national honor nor treaty obligation, however binding, can be depended on to cause the Germany of the last generation or so to keep the sword sheathed when she decides that to draw it would be to secure material

> The people of Germany deserve and possess the admiration of the whole world for the great progressive strides they have made in many de partments of science and industry With them Britons have no quarr But the German people are not the deciding factors in a crisis such as that which recently plunged the Great Powers in war. The autocrats decide issues such as these and the German commonalty must bleed and suffer and die that their insensate ambition might perchance be grati-

advantages for herself.

O THE PRESENT WAR is not only a war to relieve Europe particularly and the World generally of the German menace it is also a war to free the people of that great Empire from the shackles of military despotism and secure for them a place in the grand brotherhood of democratic

nations. Germany dominant would mean the turning of the feet of progress backward and a consequent general retrogression toward autocracy and op-

pression.

Germany crushed would mean the death of iron-heeled rule and the rehabilitation of a nation that deserves a better fate than that of being tyrannised over by a self-willed, irresponsible despot and a military clique, who have all the instincts of the common highwayman and none of the desirable attributes that make for true greatness in any class or people.

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London, Aug. 16.—The Daily Mail's Paris correspondent comments on the rigor of the censorship prevailngi in France, which has thrown an impenetrable veil of mystery over the operations on the French frontier, with the result that the French public is more ignorant of what is happening than it was when Napoleon was fighting *

the front When the soldiers now depart for thef ront, says the correspondent, they leave no trace; their relatives have no means of knowing they are in the fight ing line and are obliged to entrust letters for them to the Ministry of War, and perhaps receive the statement from the Minister of War: "Your son has fallen on the field of

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war, become quick and tragic tools.

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field of battle like dumb sheep, pa-

thetically believing that they are

serving their country when they are

the dupes of men who have them-

sidered after the poison and fever of

war have run their courses and the

of sorrow and to-morrow. Enough

the stakes for which the rulers are

War Would Cost Billions

Britain put 250,000 men into the

000,000, or \$1,250,000,000. That work

out at about \$5,000,000 per 1,000 men. In the Six Powers War, to which Japan might be added, probably Rou-

and Greece, who has already offered 100,000 troops, there would be forces

Divide that figure by half and it is

still too stupendous to be compre-

Ships of the Dreadnought type cost

France ten, Italy four, Austria six,

ling seventy-six are very near, and would represent \$912,000,000. Prob-

ably the total in Dreadnoughts and

their ammunition alone would prove

Then there are first class battle-

ships, first class, second and third

class cruisers, and destroyers in hun-

for the present to try and calculate

has been cleared in the waters

selves been duped by a belief in

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WEAPONS AND SHIPS NOW EMPLOYED SHORTEN DURATION OF NAVAL BATTLES

Carnage of Present General European War Bound to be of the fleet also would run into mil-Terrible to An Unprecedented Extent and, No Matter Which Side Triumphs, the Continent is Bound to be Crippled for Many Years to Come-Wholesale Changes in the Map

YEW YORK, Aug. 16.—The Six be quite new and make the whole his Powers War, as history will tory of sea and land fighting obsocall it, will prove by far the lete and useless, placing its volumes costliest as well as the bloodiest in among romance.

For to-day the engines of war, engines of war is so great that the alike in their price and destructibil- sea fighting could not be prolonged ity, outrange to an incredible degree through what at the time of the Arany that have ever been employed mada were called "spacious days." previously. Guns that have an accur- But in view of the strength in popuate range of nearly ten miles, shells lation and resources of the continent that can lift more than ten thousand of Europe, the land fighting might times their own weight, bomb-drop- continue for a very long time; and 10 per cent., as in South Africa, that ping aeroplanes that can hover di- most paradoxical of all, might result | would mean nearly 2,000,000 men able to direct attack, submarines that if one of the great triumvirate super-Dreadnoughts, and all these tory, it would be at a cost similar to controlled by powers aggregating in that of a man who, to save his life, Then calculate the cost to industry population more than 500,000,000 peo- submits to an operation and loses his all the world over, of the total army ple whose sinews of wealth are in legs. For it will be a lamed and taken from its activities, and al billions almost beyond computation, maimed Europe that will present it- those who never will return, and one there indeed is the world climax, the self again upon the world's commer-

The war will be on land and sea, the Europe of twelve months from and it is quite conceivable that the now ill have to be remapped and re-Triple Entente may secure victory at made. Not the least probable result sea to be deprived of its fruits by dis- would be the overthrow of many aster on land.

And the difficulty in making any publicanism. estimate of probabilities of success, lies in the fact that both on land and sea there will be employed instruments of war that never before have been tried.

Mode of Warfare Puzzles No one to-day really knows how a is always to the war-crafty statesman super-Dreadnought will stand up to the cheapest and most abundant subtorpedoes, or resist the dropping stance in which he deals. Human shells of the water-plane. "Naval life is not to him entirely an asset; air-craft" is a new and seemingly he sees a war of security for his orcontradictory term, but it will be a familiar one. And there will be of thousands of the proletariat, and demonstrated both the capacity of the Dreadnought to resist the tempt to make it "submarine" by a tem which permits him to make war. mammoth super-Dreadnought, and the Dreadnought capacity to resist the mosquito-like attack of water-plane or sea-plane. There is nothing naval history to guide in pro-

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dreds, which, added to the submarine. would easily total half a billion dollars. So that the grand armada of the six powers would represent about one and a half billion dollars in captal expenditure as it rode into battle. The cost in shells and torperoes is something almost too difficult to difficult to count, since one can form no estimate of the extent of the firing. But many millions would have to be added to cover this item. The coal

Cost of Living in Millions

The estimate of lives probably to be lost or maimed in numbers, not n value, for that is not a consideraion in the devil's game of war, is interesting. Despite the few really large engagements of troops in the South African war, nearly 25,000 tives were lost by wounds or disease, or 10 per cent. of those put in the field. Here there would be great engagements with shells that have indefinitely multiplied their destructiveness, and bullets that rain as never a hailstorm so furious. Should

we reckon a less percentage? Probably the percentage should be nultiplied by three, but keeping it at rectly over fortifications impregn- in a chess player's stale-mine. But would be destroyed. The unit of the amilies in Europe being five, there may prove more deadly even than should appear to win a decided vic- would be fully ten millions directly bereaved of husbands and fathers. appreciates what a fine sport is war stage set for the vast pageant of cial highways after the war. Lamed for those who make it.

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NEWS OF THE CITY AND THE OUTPORTS.

CONFIRMATION AT FERRYLAND

His Grace Archbishop Howley, who visited Ferryland to administer the sacrament of confirmation and to al- yesterday; she is due here Friday so lay the corner stone of the new morning. convent returned yesterday via Wit-

him, also returned.

Fishermen Do Well

The local fishermen did well again yesterday. All the boats did well. As the price of meat is going up fish is becoming a more popular diet.

Voyage Over

gagedgaged at the trap fishery along the Southern Shore returned by last Portia sailed at 10.30 taking the night's train, the trap voyage now following passengers: Messrs. Sofyer being over.

Herring Plentiful

During the last few days herrings have been plentiful at Bay of Islands and Bonne Bay. At low tide swarms of them have been found dead on the beach.

An Old Friend

Capt. Jackson, of the Harmony is welcomed back to St. John's by his many friends. The captain is enjoying the best of health, as his appearances show.

He has visited these northern wat- the Digby at 10 a.m. Friday: G ers for many years, but he never saw White, Mr. Gane, T. P. Miller, Col. so much ice on the Labrador at this Unsworth, S.A., Mr. Dykes, R. G. season as this year.

Two Reel Features At Nickel To-day

There is another grand treat in store for patrons of the Nickel today. There are feature! two two-ree! photo plays; any one of which would be a titting feature for the usual entertain. icent.

The group is so well selected that it is seldom that two such excellent offerings are included in the ordinary compass. Of course, "From Out the Storm" will be found a drama of modern life, which is constructed on well based climaxes, and, although the Western States form the setting, the story is entirely out of the different run, and will be found to make a strong appeal by reason of its portray al of a woman's emotions as conflicting between the old and the new lives.

Lovers of the Vitagraph playersand their names are ligion-will hail with particular pleasure the announce London, August 16 .- While the ment that there is also a two reel pro- whole world is waiting for news from duction by that favorite company, en- Belgium, the mist is slowly clearing titled "Beauty Unadorned" which in from another part of the theatre of its delightful comedy conception and war. The Russian concentration is thorough manner in which it is hand- beginning to make itself felt on the led sustains one's high opinion of frontiers of Galicia and East Prussia Clara Kimball Young, James Morri- and soon we must prepare to hear son and the other popular moving pic- not of rapid developments but o

provided in "The Wheel of Death" and campaign, a dashing little comedy will be found The boundary of Russian Poland in "Louie, the Life Saver." Surely such is in the heart of German territory a combination-coupled with the and by this means gives Russia an names of De Witt C. Cairns, Prof. Mc- enormous initial advantage for tak Carthy and Joseph F. Ross as asso- ing the offensive. ciate tartistees-cannot fail to give an entertainment to all who attend the Nickel today and tomorrow.

BRITISH FORCE SAFELY LANDED

London, Aug. 18 .- The British Expeditionary force has landed on the shores of France without a single casuality. The reception of the British sol-

diers everywhere in France was most enthusiastic.

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The Olinda, Capt. Courtenay left Ba Rev. Dr. Greene, who accompanied his on July 21st for St. John's and wil be due shortly.

> The schr. Laura, 21 days from Iceland, arrived yesterday in ballast to A. S. Rendell & Co.

> S.S. Digby left Halifax at 8 last evening. She leaves here at 10 a.m. Friday for Liverpool.

The s.s. Frances, which was discharging coal at A. Harvey's, arrived Several fishermen who were en- at Manuel's yesterday to load pebbles.

> Michael, Thompson, Daley, Duff, Peel, Thistle, Bontellier, LaMusse, Brennan, Morey; Mesdames Gover, Bedel. O'Connell; Misses Beauchamp, Lundrigan, Courtney, Fortune and 20

Has 11 Whales

The Whaler Cachelot operating a Hawke's Harbor has eleven fish to date. Operations have been greatly hampered by ice.

Digby's Passengers

The following passengers leave by Jeoffrey-Harley, Mrs. R. G. Jeoffrey-Harley, Mr. Bogue, Colonel Bird, Mrs. Bird, Mrs. W. Thomas and two children, Mr. Rennick, Miss Chadborn.

PERSONAL

Mr. S. Frehlich left for Goobie's last evening to spend a few days fish-

Russia Menaces The Austrians

Vast Force Is Assembling Ready To Strike Germany and Austria On the East -No Artificial Defences To Stand In Way Of Advance At Rovno

ture stars who appear on the screen, some big strategic movements, which A very tense and powerful drama is will make their influence felt in the

Russians Concentrating

The Russian army, concentrated or the Vistula, with its base at Warsaw is in a position to strike west into East Prussia and Silicia, or South into Galicia. Galicia always has been a Naboth

vineyard for Russia, and with it large Polish population has as much right to be incorporated into terri tory as to belong to Austria-Hungary Strategically, as regards defence Galicia is separated from Hungary by the Carpathian mountains, through which the Austro-Hungarian army, i beaten by a superior force coming across the Russian frontier will have to retreat under great topographical

Defence Scheme

The Austrian general staff bases its scheme of defence for this outly province on the Vistulasan position, which is flanked by the fortress of Cracow, situated at the head o the Vistula, where the frontiers Silesia, Poland and Galicia meet, and on the west by the formidable en trenched camp of Przmysi, astride

the San Jan river. These fortresses, with the intervening positions behind the water way, constitute a powerful line of defence against an invasion from Poland; but from Lemburg, the capital, down to Czernowiez, on the Rouman ian frontier, a distance of 150 miles, night. there exists no artificial defences to

vance from Rovno. position to carry the war immediate- ory for the last thirty years, and Committee, presented an interim rely into Russia, Galicia soon will be have made elaborate preparations to port, and said that the Committee the scene of military operations con- resist it.

WEDDING BELLS

Pike-Williams

The wedding of Miss Belle Pike lately of Knowling's west end showroom and Mr. Robert Williams, now of Brooklyn, N.Y., takes place at Petty Harbor this afternoon. Mr. Williams is the junior partner with Mr. Will Ryall at Brooklyn. They are dealers in men's and young men's readymades, and although only in business since last fall have already built up a large business.

Compasses Tested

Should Do Financing The Portia's compasses were tested by Mr. J. Roper to-day.

Plenty Of Bait

A message was received from St Lawrence yesterday that there was a good sign of squid at St. Lawrence. Several bankers are there awaiting

FISHERY NEWS

Aug. 8.—From J. E. Long (Jean de Bay to Beau Bois)—The total catch is 6857 quintals and for last week 2060. No traps but 10 dories and should, as far as possible, be general skiffs, with 43 boats are fishing. Three bankers with catches of 550, the community—to that end we ap-

200 and 50 quintals respectively have

and bankers the last six weeks. Aug. 15.—From S. E. Chafe (South Head of Brigus to Bay Roberts Pt.) there is no bait. From all parts of this district the report is "next to lished in the various Electoral Disno fish being taken with traps this tricts, and that such branches should week and hook and liners have done nothing. The outlook is gloomy."

The total catch is 600 quintals, and situate. for last week 20. Nine traps are in the water and 55 punts and skiffs are

Aug. 15th-From W. White, (Port ings at their several centres for this turned from the grounds with 150 with the approval of your Excellency atls. Prospects are fairly good and and the Committee we are prepared there is plenty of caplin for bait. The as a Sub-Committee to communicate total catch is 1915 qtls. and for last with the Magistrates and co-operate week's 585. Forty dories and skiffs with them in the work of organizaand 35 traps are fishing.

The past week's fishing has been the best for the season and reports 'rom English Hr. to Ireland's Eye give the catch as above the average both with hook and line and traps. At Dunfield the traps have done exceptionally well this week.

The annual garden party at Portugal Cove takes place this afternoon.

NAVAL BATTLE

London, Aug. 19.—A despatch to The Central News from Harwich says that a naval engagement occurred ear y Tuesday morning in the North Sea, about 100 miles off Harwich.

The statement of the correspondent practically confirmed by the official bureau which says there was desulory firing.

A despatch from The Brus sels Exchange Telegraphs the movement correspondent says a Gernan movement toward the been checked at Laanden and Gombloux, and no further movements of the enemy's troops have been ob-

German prisoners in Belgian will be sent to England.

The French troops are in Belgium but there is no important engagement to report, reads an official state- the Financial Committee should take ment issued at the French Embassy in London last

sand in the way of a Russian ad- lucted on a big scale. The Austrians the Committee was not yet in a posihave been threatened with a Russian tion to give a final report. Unless Austria-Hungary is in a nvasion in this part of their terri-

ENLISTMENT COMMITTEE GETS REPORT

Sub-Committees Appointed To Work Out Details Of Plan

TO SEND REGIMENT FROM TERRA NOVA

The Finance Sub-Committee Thinks the Government

The second meeting of the Patriotic Committee took place in the C.L.B. Armoury last evening. The following report was presented

by the Nominating Committee: To His Excellency Sir Walter E. Davidson, K.C.M.G., Chairman of the Patriotic Committee.

May it Please Your Excellency: The Sub-Committee appointed to nominate additional members to serve on the Patriotic Committee respectfully beg to report:

1.-Your Sub-Committee are of opinion that the Patriotic Committee and representative of all interests in pend hereto a list of the names of arrived. There is some codfish but those gentlemen whom we would nom no bait, there being no sign of squid inate as additional members. This list is not, however, by any means The catch above, 500, 200 and 50 complete, and we beg to be permitted quintals, was taken by Cape boats to propose some further names at a subsequent meeting.

2.—Your Sub-Committees have nom inated only those who are resident -Prospects are not encouraging and in St. John's, but we are of opinion hat branches should also be estabbe called after the name of the disrict in which they are respectively

3.—We are of opinion that the various Magistrates throughout the Island should be requested to call meet-Rexton to Trouty)-One schooner re- purpose-and if this suggestion meets

Dated at St. John's, this 18th day of August, 1914.

Respectfully submitted, J. A. CLIFT, F. J. MORRIS.

W. J. ELLIS.

Appended to the report, which was eccived and adopted, was a list some 250 names, comprising those of the Premier, ex-Premier, members of the Legislature, the City Commissioners, City clergymen, officers of Societies and Unions, and citizens. The report of the Finance Committee was then presented by the Hon Edgar Bowring, and read by the Hon Secretary, Dr. Burke, as follows:

Report of Finance Committee The Finance Committee appointed by the Patriotic Committee of Newfoundland beg to report that, having held two meetings, they recommend the following for approval:

1.-That Funds for the recruiting, raining, equipment, transport and pay of the proposed Newfoundland Regiment be provided by the Government until the force be handed over to the British overnment.

2.—That in support of an obligations assumed by the Government the Patriotic Committee undertake to raise, by voluntary contributions, fund which may be set aside for the purpose of assisting the families of those at the front, or for any other object or purpose in connection with

Free Passages

3.—That volunteers forwarded by the proper authorities from the Out Belgian centre seems to have ports be given free passage to St.

4.—That any applicant for service forwarded by the proper authorities, but not accepted at headquarters, be given free passage back to his home. 5.—That the question of insurance against death or injury should be taken into consideration.

The report was discussed section by section, amongst the speakers being Sir Joseph Outerbridge, Messrs. John Harvey, John Browning, P. T. contact with the Germans in McGrath and Capt. McKay. Sir Joseph Outerbridge urged that provision should be made for the families of the Naval Reservists, and asked that this matter into consideration. This

No Proclamation Report Hon. J. R. Bennett, convenor of the

Major Franklin for the Recruiting would await the issuing of the Proc-

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Both the Nominating and Recruiting Committees asked for franking Mr. Herbert Outerbridge stated that

the Equipment Committee was not yet ready to report. Mr. W. H. Rennie handed in the re-

port of the Musketry Committee, which was approved. He asked for authority for certain necessary expenditures. Permission was given. Hon. E. R. Bowring, W. D. Reid and J. C. Crosbie have offered free transportation on their steamboat and railway lines for volunteers.

Meeting adjourned at 9.35, until to morrow, Thursday, at 8 o'clock.

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