

BRITISH COAST BOMBARDED-- TWO GERMAN CRUISERS SUNK

HARTLEPOOL, Eng., Dec. 16, via London, 12 Noon: The residents of Hartlepool were awakened this morning by heavy gun firing. A great crowd at once assembled on the beach to learn whence the sounds came.

Shells from German ships soon began dropping into the city, whereupon the crowd on the beach rapidly sought shelter. Nine persons were killed and a number injured.

ATTACK MADE BY GERMAN FLEET STARTED AT 8 O'CLOCK TO-DAY AND WAS MET BY JELlicoe

Unfortified Towns Received Damage From Shell Fire—First Time English Coast Was Ever Bombarded—Admiralty Says That the Situation is Developing—Uncertain at Noon as to What the Outcome Would be—Life and Death Struggle is Now Being Fought.

[By Special Wire to the Courier] LONDON, Dec. 16, 11.52 a.m.—A German fleet made a sudden dash into the North Sea to-day shelled Scarborough and Hartlepool, English coast towns on the North Sea to-day, and engaged certain units of the British fleet.

Four German cruisers appeared off Scarborough at an early hour and began to bombard the town. It is apparent that they had no difficulty in dropping shells into the city. Panic seized the people and many of them fled from their homes.

The residents of Hartlepool were aroused from their sleep by the sound of heavy gun firing. They fled to the streets and thence made their way to the beach to learn what was going on. In a few moments shells from German cruisers began dropping into Hartlepool, whereupon the crowd along the shore broke for shelter. Panic also showed itself at this point. Fear took possession of the people and many of them abandoned their homes and fled inland.

The news of this naval raid was announced at 11.30 o'clock this morning and it threw London into the greatest state of excitement that has

prevailed since the outbreak of the war.

The preliminary announcement of the Admiralty made no mention of the damage to Scarborough, which is a fashionable sea resort on the North Sea, 37 miles northeast of York, and a little over 200 miles from London, or to Hartlepool, an important shipping centre, about forty miles northwest of Scarborough.

British flotillas have been engaged with the enemy at several points, however, and at noon the situation was described by the admiralty as "developing."

It could not be ascertained at first whether this German attack was designed merely to spread panic among the British people, or whether its purpose was to engage the British fleet in a general action or to act as an escort in an attempt to land troops on the British coast.

part of Yorkshire, on a headland, extending into the North Sea. It is 37 miles northeast of the important English city of York. It is a little over 200 miles from London.

Scarborough has been popularly styled "queen of watering places." The town has a large spa, an interesting aquarium, a museum and a fine drive and promenade pier. The permanent population of the place is more than 40,000.

Hartlepool is a seaport and municipal borough of England in the southeast portion of the County of Durham. It is about forty miles northwest of Scarborough on a promontory that extends into the North Sea. Its population is about 25,000. Adjoining Hartlepool is West Hartlepool, a city of more than 65,000 inhabitants.

The Hartlepoons, which are provided with a vast system of docks, before the war had an active trade with the Baltic ports and with Hamburg, Antwerp and Rotterdam. The chief industries are shipbuilding, iron founding and the construction of marine engines.

The bombardment of cities on the east coast of England by German cruisers is the first overt act of the war against British territory. Never before has the coast of England been attacked. It was felt that the British fleet in the North Sea was sufficient

to render this possibility very remote.

The official announcement given out in London that British flotillas have been engaged with the enemy is evidence that there has been a naval fight in the North Sea. No knowledge as to the outcome is at hand.

Immediately upon the outbreak of hostilities the British fleet or at least a considerable portion of it, supposedly took up positions on the eastern side of the North Sea by which the German warships were held in check or close to their naval base at Wilhelmshafen, the mouth of the Tibe, and elsewhere on the western coast of Germany. This patrol has been maintained since early in August. It has from time to time been penetrated by German submarines, but so far as is known the instances where German cruisers or battleships have broken the British line and emerged into the North Sea have been few and far between.

Despatches from Germany for as much as a month past have indicated in one way or another that the Germans were making preparations at their sea base for naval activity. Very little detail of what was going on has come out, nevertheless these messages led to the belief that the German ships might soon attempt some manoeuvre.

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Official Announcements

LONDON, Dec. 16th, 11.26 a.m.—The official announcement regarding this important development follows: "German movements of some importance are taking place this morning in the North Sea. Scarborough and Hartlepool have been shelled and our flotillas have at various points been engaged. The situation is developing."

LONDON, Dec. 16th, 1.46 p.m.—A statement given out by the official information bureau says that the German warships which have been bombarding the eastern coast of England have been driven off by the West Hartlepool fortress.

LONDON, Dec. 16, 1.44 p.m.—The official press bureau this afternoon made the following announcement with regard to the German attack on the North Sea coast of England:

"The fortress commander at West Hartlepool reports that German war vessels engaged that fortress between 8 o'clock and 9 o'clock this morning.

"The enemy were driven off.

"A small German war vessel also opened fire on Scarborough and Whitby."

BULLETINS FLASHED OVER WIRE TO-DAY

TWO ARE SUNK. LONDON, Dec. 16, 12.35 p.m.—Reports are current in London that two German cruisers have been sunk in the North Sea.

FIRE 50 SHELLS. HULL, Eng., Dec. 16.—Via London 1.17 p.m.—A man, who has arrived here from Scarborough estimates that the German cruisers fired a total of about 50 shells into Scarborough. He declares he saw only three chimney stacks shattered. He believes, however, that the damage nearer shore will prove to be more serious than this.

THEY FELL THICKLY. HULL, Dec. 16.—via London, 1.03 p.m.—Fugitives reaching here from Scarborough say that the German bombardment was heavy and that great damage was done to property. The morning train from Scarborough to Hull brought many passengers, who left Scarborough when the shelling commenced. A railroad man has wired his wife here from Scarborough saying: "Shells are falling thickly around me, but I am all right."

CAME OVER IN FOG. HULL, Dec. 16.—Via London, 2.12 p.m.—The arrival of the German raid-

ers off Scarborough took place under cover of a thick veil of fog. Some people declared they saw a German cruiser lying off Castle Cliff.

The roof of St. Martin's Church was struck and one woman is known to have been killed.

RED CAR IN IT. REDCAR, YORK, Eng., Dec. 16.—Via London 1.27 p.m.—Heavy firing was heard off the coast here between eight and eight-twenty a.m. to-day.

The forms of three cruisers could be discerned looming up out of the haze and the flashes of artillery fire could be easily observed from the Redcar promenade.

The people of Redcar sought the water front, but they were driven back from the promenade by the military authorities to a point beyond the zone of danger.

It appeared from here as if the hostile warships were attacking the forts on Tees Bay.

The cannoquading was kept up for more than half an hour, when the booming of guns gradually grew less.

During the height of the bombardment, as many as half a dozen flashes of guns were counted within the space of two minutes.

Via London 1.48 p.m.—Two German cruisers bombarded this town between 9 and 10 o'clock this morning.

NINE WERE KILLED. HULL, Eng., Dec. 16.—Via London 1.51 p.m.—Nine persons are reported to have been killed at Hartlepool, and a number injured, in the bombardment of that port by German cruisers this morning.

The bombardment of Hartlepool lasted for 25 minutes.

The hostile vessels which took part in the operation are estimated from two to six, but never once were they clearly visible from the shore.

The forts on the River Tees replied to the fire of the German vessels. Pieces of shell have been found all over Hartlepool. The damage inflicted on the town is said to be considerable. One of the shells hit a gas tank and set it afire.

The people were greatly excited. They rushed from their houses at the first sound of firing, and women and children were seen running through streets in their night clothes.

IT WAS HEAVY. HULL, Eng., Dec. 16, via London 1 p.m.—Fugitives reaching here from Scarborough say the German bomb-

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DRESDEN IS CHASED OUT OF PUNTA ARENAS BY SPEEDY BRISTOL

[By Special Wire to the Courier] NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—A special cable to the Herald from Santiago, Chile, dated Tuesday, says:

"It was officially announced to-day that the German cruiser, Dresden, steamed from Punta Arenas on Sunday night. The British cruiser Bristol arrived at the port on Monday and left immediately in pursuit of the Dresden. With her superior speed the British war vessel may overhual the Dresden before she clears the Strait of Magellan.

"While the normal speed of the German warship is 23.5 knots, her long stay in tropical waters, during which she was at anchor most of the time, has caused her keel to become encrusted with submarine growths, which fact undoubtedly has reduced her speed considerably, probably to less than 20 knots.

The Bristol, on the other hand, is more recently from home waters, with a clean hull, and with her nor-

mal speed of 25 knots practically unimpaired. She is of the city class of British light cruisers, and is a sister ship of the Glasgow, which escaped from Admiral Von Spee's squadron in the Pacific early in November.

The Dresden is believed to have been unscathed in the naval action last week. Without warning, she slipped away from Punta Arenas at dusk on Sunday.

PEOPLE IN PANIC. SCARBOROUGH, Dec. 16, via London 1 p.m.—When the German shells began falling into Scarborough shortly before 8 o'clock this morning the people rushed out of their houses in a state of the greatest excitement.

The crowds ran hurriedly to the railroad station, and all who could boarded the train that was just leaving for Hull.

Several buildings in Scarborough have been damaged by the fire from the German warships.

OFFICIAL FRENCH NOTICE

[By Special Wire to the Courier] PARIS, Dec. 16.—2.46 p.m.—The French war office to-day gave out an official communication as follows:

"In Belgium, the town of Westende in the northeast of Lombardezde, has been violently bombarded by the British fleet.

"The Belgium army has repulsed a counter-attack on St. Georges, and occupied the farms on the left bank of the Yser.

"Our troops, who already had gained ground in the direction of Klein Zillebecke, also made progress, but not so perceptible in the region of St. Elio.

"In the region of Arras, in the region of the Aisne and in Champagne there have been artillery engagements in the course of which we gained distinct advantage at various points.

"In the Argonne there is nothing to report.

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IMPUDENT PROPOSALS WERE MADE

[By Special Wire to the Courier] NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—A copy of a treaty of alliance signed between General Maritz, the rebel leader in British South Africa and the Government of German South West Africa, has been received in New York.

The treaty has the following clauses: "1. General Maritz has declared the independence of South Africa. War with England has commenced.

"2. The Governor of German South West Africa recognizes all African forces which operate against England as belligerents.

"3. If British South Africa should declare her independence, the Imperial governor is to take all feasible measures to the effect that the state or states are to be recognized as such by the German empire as soon as possible, and are to be included in the general treaty of peace.

"4. In view of such support, the newly-formed state or states will have

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TWO CRUISERS OF THE ENEMY WENT DOWN

[By Special Wire to the Courier]

LONDON, Dec. 16, 3.12 p.m.—The Yorkshire Evening News reports that two German cruisers were sunk in to-day's engagement and that the British flotilla was damaged.

WERE WRECKED. HARTLEPOOL, Dec. 16, via London 2.45 p.m.—Many business premises and private homes were wrecked here by the German shells.

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Mr. G. G. S. Lindsay, K. C., of Toronto, speaking at the annual dinner of the Queen's Engineering Society, Kingston, laid emphasis on the moral responsibility, resting upon the engineer as a rigid code of honor.

Woman Was Killed By German Shells While Tending Shop

[By Special Wire to the Courier]

SCARBOROUGH, EN., Dec. 16.—(Via London, 3.35 p.m.)—Just before daylight broke, a vessel of the cruiser type was observed off Scarborough. The warship came in close and for half an hour threw shell after shell into the town, doing considerable damage.

A woman behind a counter in a shop was instantly killed and her husband was wounded. The ruins of the

shop tumbled down about them. Forty or fifty shells were thrown, the object of the German gunners apparently being the town hall, which was damaged slightly. Other property suffered much more severely, and at places the streets are filled with wreckage.

During the bombardment the vessel steamed slowly past the town and finally disappeared in the haze. After she had been lost sight of the sound of her guns was heard for some time.

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Courier Will Give the News

Immense interest was created to-day in Brantford by the German naval raid on the English coast, a Courier extra giving full details and official announcements concerning the raid. Later devel-

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Attack Made

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The Kiel canal, running from the North Sea to the Baltic, makes it possible for the German fleet to concentrate her entire fleet in either one water or the other. By bringing through the canal such vessels as she may have used since the beginning of the war in the Baltic, Germany could concentrate in the North Sea virtually her entire naval strength, excepting being made of course of her fast cruisers which since the opening of hostilities have operated in the Pacific Ocean and in the Southern Atlantic. These vessels, all told do not exceed nine or ten, and a number of them already have succumbed to the vigilance of the British.

BULLETINS FLASHED ON BATTLE

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The British naval strength in the North Sea is an unknown quantity. There is reason to believe, however, that it is formidable. Great Britain has some warships in the Mediterranean and during the past six weeks it is evident that she detached ships for service in the South Atlantic to pursue German cruisers which have been raiding commerce. Just how many vessels were assigned to this latter duty is not definitely known. Whatever the disposition of British ships of war outside of British waters may be to-day, there has been from the beginning reliable evidence that she has concentrated in the North Sea a very large proportion of her naval strength.

STARTED THIS MORNING. SCARBOROUGH, Dec. 16.

The shelling of Scarborough by the four German cruisers which took part in the operation began shortly before 8 o'clock this morning. Several buildings have been damaged by shell fire from the German vessels.

SHELLS FELL ALL ROUND

HULL, England, Dec. 16, via London, 1:40 p.m.—[James Harvey Scott, of Scarborough, who arrived here after the bombardment of the seaside resort by the Germans, said: "I could not believe it was a real attack; I thought the battleships were practicing. Then I saw a shell fall on the roof of a house, which caught fire, and there was a cloud of smoke. I also noticed that the Balmford Hotel, right in the centre of the town, was struck. As I walked to the station shells were bursting overhead, and at the station shells fell into the yard. A porter there picked up a fragment. "A man, accompanied by his wife and children, came running into the station saying that the roof of their house had been damaged by shells."

Laid at Rest

LATE MRS. HILDA BENSON
The funeral of the late Mrs. Hilda Benson, 19 Carlyle street, took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence to Mt Hope cemetery, Rev. C. W. Saunders delivered a very solemn and impressive service at the house and graveside, in the presence of a number of sorrowing friends. The pallbearers were Frank and Ernest Benson, Wm. C. Murray, R. Nash and Harry Inverall. The floral tributes were numerous and showed the high esteem and sympathy felt for the bereaved family, including a handsome wreath from the Matthews-Blackwell Packing Company, where Mr. Benson is employed; wreath from Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fraser, Belmont Hotel, also wreath from family. Sprays from the two sons, Ernest and Frank, Fred Hamilton and Mr. Wm. Bees of the Dominion Guarantee and Accident Assurance Co.

Lloyds Excited

LONDON, Dec. 16—Great excitement prevailed in Lloyd's underwriting room when the announcement of the German naval raid was posted on the bulletin boards. The members crowded around and eagerly read the notice. Insurance rates so far as the North Sea is concerned, have been practically suspended pending the receipt of definite news of the result of the engagement.

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MARLBORO CHURCH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Tea Meeting Held, Which Was Most Successful Event.

In connection with the Marlboro Church anniversary services, a tea meeting was held on Monday evening, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid. A goodly number of people representing the various churches of the city put in an appearance, in spite of the intense cold, thus manifesting a spirit of interest and solidarity in this cause. After being entertained in the social hall to an excellent supper and most generously waited upon by the ladies, assisted by the young men, who were taking a lesson on household science, the guests gathered in the auditorium to listen to a most interesting and instructive programme. The artists were of such varied as to appeal to everyone present. Miss Chave of Wellington street church, sang, sweetly and her tones were rounded and complete. Miss Jackson, elocutionist, interpreted in her fine dramatic fashion, the "Denominational Garden" and "Invergarden Christmas," manifesting true natural elocutionary powers. A piano duet rendered by Miss Hagan and Mr. Darwell was highly appreciated by the audience. The Wesley quartette, composed of Messrs. Heaus, Cullen, McLeod and Johnson, more than enhanced their reputation for fine power of phrasing and artistic touch and feeling, particularly so in their rendition of "Oh, Lovely Night." The speaker of the evening was Mr. George Wedlake, who gave an inspirational address along the lines of church privilege and responsibility, pointing out the three qualities of church life and activity, viz., attendance at divineship service, for the Master and sacrifice as the essence of all Christian work. He congratulated the Marlboro church on their first birthday and in closing made a passionate appeal to the church to become missionary in every department of its work. The singing of God Save the King brought a pleasant and profitable evening to a close.

Women's Institute

The regular monthly meeting of the Maple Tranquility Women's Institute, was held at the home of the president, Mrs. J. J. Hurley, Lorne Crescent, on Wednesday, with a splendid attendance of the members. The meeting opened in the usual way, with the National Anthem, motto, and roll call. The minutes of last meeting were read by the assistant secretary, Miss Barrie, the district president, Mrs. S. G. Kitchen, was present, which made the meeting one of great interest. Mrs. Kitchen gave a fine report of the convention in Toronto in November, and also addressed the members on other topics pertaining to institute work. Mrs. Wm. Bayless brought out the idea of establishing a rest room in the city for the convenience of the women coming in from the country. Miss Dora Arnold delighted all with a piano selection. A very interesting visitor at the meeting was Miss Gilkison, who gave the history of the pioneer days of Brantford, and told of the first woman to live in Brantford. Mrs. Bayless live. Miss Gilkison's talk was replete with interesting things of the early days. Miss Hilda Hurley sang "Adeieu Marie," which brought a delightful and interesting scene. The refreshments were served by the hostesses. The president announced that a list of all the goods and garments made up for the Belgians would be read at the January meeting which will be held at the home of Mrs. F. Passmore, St. George road. The meeting closed with the singing of God Save the King.

With the City Police

Magistrate Livingstone found a light list awaiting him at the Police Court this morning. Fred Campbell and Joe McCabe had a few words which resulted eventually in a colored optic for McCabe. By this time P. C. Stanley arrived on the scene and took the combatants to the lock-up. Campbell pleaded provocation when he answered the assault charge and was fined \$10. McCabe was the subject of a lecture and allowed to go. Mary Kelly, alias, Mary Ansett was dismissed on a vagrancy charge laid by James Ansett. He had claimed that she was his wife, but this was refuted by Mr. Ansett. A general contention followed which was ended by the bench in dismissal.

A SWEDISH STEAMER SEIZED BY GERMANS

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 16.—The Swedish steamer Ludvig Peyron, bound to Stockholm from London, was seized on Sunday by German forces and taken into Swinemunde. The steamship company has therefore ordered all its steamers to stop at Helsingborg, Sweden, instead of entering the Baltic, when coming from the North Sea, as such steamers run the risk of being captured. This is the first steamer to be stopped when coming from the North Sea, and seemingly indicates a new German method of action.

AFTER THE ZEPPELINS. AMSTERDAM, Dec. 16.

French aviators again flew over Freiburg, Baden, dropping bombs upon the city. This is the fourth time Freiburg has been attacked by aeroplanes. There is a Zeppelin depot located there.

CRUISER BRISTOL CHASING DRESDEN

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 16.—An official communication received here from Punta Arenas announces that the German cruiser Dresden left here the day before yesterday evening (Sunday). The communication adds that the British cruiser Bristol arrived at Punta Arenas Monday, but left there immediately. A special cable despatch from Buenos Ayres states that Chile refused the Dresden coal because three months had not elapsed since the Dresden had last coaled at a Chilean port.

BATTENBERG PLANNED A SMASH!

BERLIN, Dec. 16.—(By wireless to Saville).—Among the items given out to-day by the official press bureau were the following: "The British naval periodical Nauticus reports that the former Sea Lord Prince Louis of Battenberg, planned to cut off the German fleet in Norwegian waters the night of the 1st to the 2nd of August, but that the wavering of the British Cabinet frustrated his plan." "Great Britain did not declare war until August 4."

CONFERENCE ACCLAIMED CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 16.

The meeting of the three Kings, Haakon of Norway, Gustav of Sweden and Christian of Denmark, at Malmo, Sweden, Dec. 17, on the initiative of King Gustav, will be the first conference of these three Scandinavian monarchs to discuss state affairs since the dissolution of the Duality between Norway and Sweden in 1905. The newspapers of the three kingdoms are expressing the greatest satisfaction at this evidence that the strained relations between the Royal families of Norway and Sweden have come to an end with this holding out of the olive branch by King Gustav. The political object of this meeting is to demonstrate that Scandinavia represents a military and economic entity ready to resist outside pressure to take sides with any belligerent, and able to defend its neutrality and resist violations of international law. These, the Scandinavian Governments allege, are greatly hampering their trade and commercial intercourse with other nations.

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Splendid Address On The War—British Obligations Maintained—The Empire at Stake—A Stirring Address by Mr. W.S. Brewster

The Borden Club last night put on their opening night in the Conservative rooms with a goodly gathering and a star program of speeches and songs. The President, R. T. Hall, opened the evening with his usual breezy remarks and outlined the season now ahead. Last night would be the last night for this year and after the New Year holidays, a series of lectures and debates would be given. He then called upon the evening entertainer, Mr. Vernon Cooper, of Paris, who rendered in splendid voice the undying refrain 'Loves Coronation'. It was a great effort and the singer surpassed himself in his able mastery of its sentiments. Responding to an encore, he gave a musical reading 'Let's argue it out' and brought down the house with his able mimicry and incomparable action.

Mayor Spence was then called upon for some remarks, which he said would be few. He briefly introduced all present to the speaker of the evening, Mr. W. F. Cockshutt.

MR. W. F. COCKSHUTT
Mr. Cockshutt, who then rose to speak, was received with the ever recurring demonstration from the audience of his popularity.

CAUSE AND REASON.
He said: The war was a topic perhaps thrashed out, but was worth a review. It opened the eyes of the nation of the Crown Prince, and his consort, who was the heir apparent to the throne. The sympathy of the civilized world went out to Austria in her loss. All felt Serbia was guilty, she had plotted to overthrow dual monarchy.

When these so-called facts were investigated, it was found to be wrong, the crime was committed on Austrian soil and by Austrians subjects. Investigation proved so; even if it was only lately acquired.

An ultimatum to Serbia followed, filled with 15 or 20 drastic requirements and we know her answer was not satisfactory. It would have penalized her to submit, as no self-governing state could permit. This ultimatum was designed by the war-lords of Germany and was so designed that war would be the only possible outcome. That is, it failed in its awful purpose, is known to-day by the results. This was the occasion however, not the cause—the reason was the royal murder, but the cause goes farther back.

THE DAY
"The Day" was coming, and just when Germany wanted it, and the time selected was when she felt her strength and thought her enemies weakest. Russia determined that she could not stand by and see her sister Slav state wiped out. France and Britain had their agreements and the neutrality of Belgium should not be violated, and they took up arms in her cause.

Belgium is one of little known countries of Europe, but one of the most interesting to visit. For one hundred years ago, stained with the blood of every nation of Europe, in 1815, Britain at that time was called into the world to defend her against the legions of Napoleon. Belgium was in no way interested. All she desired was peace. She had only a small army, though they came of fighting stock, that had given a wonderful account of herself in the present war. (Cheers.) Not a quarter of the size of Ontario, but it had a population of 650 to the square mile. Every foot of ground tilled; intensive farming, on a scale we cannot understand. She has made the best of herself in every respect.

OUR OBLIGATIONS
It was planned that Germany would go through Belgium; railways were planned for it, and the French border was fortified so strongly it could only be menaced at an awful loss of life and material. The reason she laid her campaign through neutral soil.

With only 12 hours notice, the Belgians were asked to submit, and politely informed it not granted, it would be taken by force, but not until she had lost many of her finest corps by the gallant defence of the home-loving subjects of King Albert.

Britain negotiated, and did her utmost to get a halt and stop the carnage—it was useless. The day had come—all the more satisfactory if Germany's neighbors were unprepared.

Two weeks elapsed before the British first line went into the field, and it can never be forgotten what happened in the holding up of the vast army of the Kaiser, while we prepared this is the greatest war of any century, the casualties already are over 2,000,000 and go on at the rate of 30,000 a day.

Germany had 2,000,000 in her standing army and upwards of 6,000,000 available. We cannot disregard their bravery, though when the close fighting at the trenches started, our men demonstrated the enemy were out-classed.

Britain had no great standing army, but now she has 2,000,000 men under arms. She was slow to anger, but now she's determined she's going to make a job of it. (Cheers). The unity of the Empire is the grandest thing in history, nothing ever happened like the spontaneous action of every land under the flag.

INDIA LOYAL AT HEART
India, black in skin, but Britons at heart, have demonstrated in creed and race nevertheless they are ready to die for the flag—a land that was supposed to be seething with sedition. (Cheers).

Brantford had responded loyally, her sons showing a spirit of true citizenship, offering their lives with splendid courage, making proud us feel kinship with them. (Cheers).

Britain's part for centuries has been the care of the weak, the oppressed, the down-trodden, and Britons everywhere are rallying to keep that tradition untarnished. The "contemptible little army" has already increased to 800,000 men, and in the spring more would be ready to make a spring that would startle the Kaiser. (Laughter).

THE NAVY.
Now, how about the navy. (Cheers) The force nearest British hearts, and though we were mistaken in thinking the two great fleets would clash, but Germany had preferred to keep them safe in the Kiel canal. We can estimate our navy, ship for ship and man for man, they are equal to an "Ocean King" (Cheers). Britain has wide interests to protect, channels to patrol and sea routes to keep open, but when the "Day" comes they will repeat the victories of Trafalgar and the Nile. (Cheers).

Germany has proved herself on land the equal of three nations we must grant them that though they are now checked and they would never advance further. The speaker believed that Britain not stepped in the Germans could have been in Paris two months ago. (Cheers). That was universally believed.

THE UNBROKEN LINE
The British lines refused to yield, and were daily gaining mobility, and would soon command the sea forward and backward. Britain has said she would not rest until Belgium is cleared of the invaders. German policy has been so aggressive that it has come to be that the nations of Europe were so menaced that they must have "one night act by your leave" of the Kaiser's government. That had to stop, and though she had reduced France forty years ago, she had advanced further than ever anticipated.

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So many calls are being made on the purses of the generous people of Toronto and Ontario, to help the soldiers of the Empire, that as I make my daily rounds through the wards of the Hospital, and see the suffering children in our cots and beds, the thought strikes me as to whether the people will as of old, with all the demands upon them, answer our appeal and help to maintain the institution that is fighting in the never-ending battle with disease and death. In its endeavor to save the stricken little ones in the child-life of Ontario.

Last year there were 394 in-patients from 219 places outside of Toronto, and in the past twenty years there have been 4,000 from places in the Province other than Toronto.

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THE SITUATION.

By far the outstanding feature is the important news, conveyed early this morning over the Courier special leased wire, that German vessels commenced to bombard the British coast.

They were enabled, apparently, to get at close range under the dense folds of a fog. At the time of writing it is not known to what extent the demonstration has developed, but if it leads to a final test between the rival fleets in the North Sea, the action should become decisive.

With superior numbers in craft, and with highly-trained and fearless commanders and men, there is little need to doubt that the best British traditions will be fully upheld.

This is the first shell bombardment of the shores of Albion. A Dutch admiral by the name of Van Tromp had the best of a British fleet under Admiral Blake in the Straits of Dover, and afterwards sailed the main there with a broom at the masthead; but that was away back in 1652.

Later, in 1658, the Spanish Armada made a bold attempt to attack the shores of Great Britain. They had 130 vessels, mostly of large size, bearing 19,295 soldiers, 8,000 mariners, 2,000 oarsmen and 2,000 volunteers of the most distinguished families of Spain.

They called themselves invincible. The British force held in readiness to meet them was only 30 vessels, but before the actual conflict the number was augmented, mostly by volunteers in small ships, to 181. The total was 17,472 men against 31,295.

What happened is a matter of history. Fire ships were sent among them, with disastrous results; in boarding contests the British got all the best of it, and later a terrible tempest further decimated the shattered vessels. It was the most disastrous naval defeat in all history and shattered the power of Philip, throwing open the commerce of the Indies, hitherto closely guarded.

With regard to the general aspect, the Allies are still doing gradually well in France and Belgium, while events in Poland are still largely a case of as they were.

THE SITUATION IN MEXICO.

The wide nature of the world's greatest war has completely overshadowed events in Mexico. They are still at each other's throats there to an even worse extent than ever, and the temporary occupancy of Uncle Sam did not abate the chaos one whit, on the contrary seems to have accentuated it.

Theodore Roosevelt who recently spoke of himself as having become "the privatized kind of a private," could not in the natural course of events stay very long that way. He has now entered the lists in his usual vigorous manner as an unsparing critic of the United States government with regard to the state of affairs in the land of the sombrero.

His views are being widely published in U. S. papers through a press syndicate. "To say," he remarks, "that we did not go to war with Mexico is a mere play upon words. A quarter of the wars of history have been entered into and carried through without any preliminary declaration of war, and often without any declaration of war at all. The seizure of the leading seaport city of another country, the engagement and defeat of the troops of that country and the retention of the territory thus occupied for a number of months constituted war."

The ex-President goes on to show that when President Wilson refused to recognize Huerta he committed a definite act of interference of the most pronounced type. Further, that he actively sided with the factions which ultimately triumphed—and which immediately split into other factions which are now no less actively engaged in fighting one another. He considers that the United States has thereby made itself responsible for the frightful wrong-doing still continuing including terrible outrages committed by the victorious revolutionists on hundreds of the religious people of both sexes.

Pointing out that Wilson in an address said: "Nowhere in this hemisphere can any government endure which is stained by blood," Roosevelt exclaims that at the very time he uttered those lofty words, the leaders and lieutenants of the faction which he was actively supporting were shooting their prisoners in cold

blood by the scores after each engagement, were torturing men reputed to be rich, were driving hundreds of peaceful people from their homes, were looting and defiling churches, and treating ecclesiastics and religious women with every species of abominable infamy, from murder and rape down. He quotes affidavits in this regard, which most people would not consider fit for publication. They include unspeakable outrages upon hundreds of Mexican women and nuns, and also the murder and mutilation of priests.

The ex-President concludes: "As things actually are, shame must be mingled with our indignation, for the action of the President and Mr. Bryan has been such as to make this country partly responsible for the frightful wrongs that have been committed."

TWO SIDES TO A STORY.

Not long ago a Canadian hardware-manufacturing firm solicited orders from a jobber in the United States for goods on which there happened to be no import duty into that country. The answer was very prompt: "Dear Sir,—

Replying to your favor of the — we beg to say that we cannot place any orders with any foreign houses at present, even at a difference of ten or fifteen per cent. in favor of their goods. The sole and simple reason is that we have to keep our own factories busy on this side of the line, and we consider it worth while to make a few sacrifices for the sake of doing it."

That reply was kept by the Canadian manufacturer as an admirable sample of American loyalty to American institutions. It was respected as the kind of business co-operation that has made the United States the third exporting nation in the world.

Admiration for such a spirit and business long-sightedness can very well help teach us a lesson that is being brought home to us in these days.

Canada just now needs all the business she can get to keep her own factories busy. Canadians are learning that in nearly every line there are made-in-Canada articles as good and cheap as anything imported, yes and frequently both better and cheaper.

Before purchasing the latter they are taking steps first to consider if there is not a Canadian article of at least equal value.

A VITAL FOUR MONTHS

More than once the questions have been asked, especially after some German triumph at sea, "What in the mischief is the British navy doing? Where are her dreadnaughts, her super-dreadnaughts, her battle cruisers and all the rest of the world-beating outfit?"

With reference to this class of interrogation, one New York paper remarks:—"To the naval strategist this silence is the token of a victory as complete as any that could be won by the shock of 12-inch salvos and the wrecking of armor belts, turrets and barbettes; for it is the unspoken evidence of the persistent, remorseless pressure of the most remarkable blockade in all the history of naval warfare."

Correctly stated. The holding of the big German fleet in the Kiel Canal, for a period of over four months, has been in itself an immense and unparalleled achievement. For years the German Empire has lavished millions of money and used every possible ingenuity upon the development of an all-conquering armada. During the early period of this skulking, the rumor was spread that the delay in seeking battle with British leviathans, was because of an outfitting with some sort of superior naval gun. That Germany, so ready in every other department of war, would be lacking when she thought the time had come to strike, with reference to the latest possible equipment for her ships, from the first seemed doubtful. If anyone did entertain the idea of such a cause for hesitancy, it must by now have been thoroughly dissipated. Their original plan was to first decimate the British fleet by submarines, but the rate of their success in this regard has been notably small—much more so than if the British submarines had possessed an equal number of targets in the open.

This bottling up of the Kaiser's carefully developed fleet would of itself be a most notable act, but even more than this has been accomplished. Trade routes on the seas have been kept open and policed, tens of thousands of troops have been brought at will from all portions of the Empire with not one transport

vessel or man destroyed and, outside of the devilish mines, practical safety and security have been guaranteed. There has now come an effort on the part of the enemy to join open issue, with results yet to be determined, but let us not forget the fact that the first four months of keeping the German fleet within bounds proved of priceless importance—where would the transportation of troops have been without such an immunity?

DEBT OF THE WARRING NATIONS

The debt burdened nations of Europe are adding enormously to their load as a result of the present titanic struggle. At the commencement of the war, the total debt of the five leading nations engaged in the struggle amounted to \$2,700,000,000. In the four months' war, it has been increased four and a quarter billions, or nearly one-fifth.

Great Britain is the only one of the warring nations which is financed ahead. Her recent loan of \$1,750,000,000 will furnish her with money for several months. All the other warring nations are living more or less in a hand-to-mouth manner. For some months before the war broke out, Germany, Austria and France all engaged in special financing with the object of increasing their military strength. The expenditures made by these three nations added \$616,000,000 to the burden they were already carrying.

The following table shows the debt of the five nations as it stood in 1912, what has been issued since then, and the present debt:—

Debt, 1912	Issued since	Present debt
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Austria 4,237,861,000	467,000,000	4,704,861,000
America 3,799,444,000	750,000,000	4,549,444,000
Gr. Br. 3,486,518,000	700,000,000	4,186,518,000
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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

MEET TO-NIGHT
The regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council takes place this evening in their hall on Colborne St.

UNDER NO BUSHEL
The City Hall clock has not always been illuminated at night, and Ald. Piccher saw to it this morning that this state of affairs was remedied.

MAY BE PRESIDENT
The Mayor has been requested to act as president in this section, of the British Empire and Industrial League, a society formed for the patronage of home industries and also to see to the matter of establishing home manufacturers.

READY FOR 1915
The Township Council yesterday cleaned up all matters for the end of the year and every thing will be left in shape for the new council to take over the affairs of the Township when they are appointed. Everything has been found satisfactory to the retiring board.

FROST AT WORK
The cold snap will cause a number of men to be employed who would otherwise be without work. More hands have been required on the Park Drive work and an extra complement was put on the storm sewers under construction. Some thirty or forty men were rendered necessary yesterday morning.

ATTENDANCE DEPLETED
Santa Claus arrived in the city yesterday and acted as such a magnet upon the children that the Story Hour was practically deserted and only a handful of the faithful attended. In consequence the story given by Miss Stephanie Jones was abridged and she will tell it in its completeness on Thursday. Her subject was Kate W. Riggins' story "A Bird's Christmas Carol."

SUCCESSFUL PUPILS
The Brantford students who passed the recent University of Toronto music examinations which were held in Hamilton. They are: Miss Elsie I Senn, who obtained first-class honors in Junior theory, coming first of all entrants in this class; Miss Helen Ferguson, who passed the intermediate piano examination, and Miss Alice Caley who successfully went through the junior piano examination. All three are pupils at the Academy of Music.

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FINE ADDRESS

A student at all times, Postmaster W. G. Raymond, has delved deeply into many of the questions and problems of the hour. Natural it was, therefore, that he should become deeply interested in the war and the outcome of his researches has resulted in a series of magnificent addresses upon the war, which have been expounded as only Mr. Raymond with his flow of eloquence could expound. His latest speech, "Canada and the War," given under the auspices of the Y.W.C.A. literary club was attentively listened to at Victoria Hall last night.

Dr. Hart sang, "The Lads in Red" and so well appreciated was his effort that an encore was demanded. After a brief introductory speech emphasizing the lack of realization of the seriousness of the war, as it affected Canada, Mr. Raymond began his address:

Canada had taken a great part in this gigantic struggle. Of all the hundred nations taking a part in the war none of them had such a claim to victory as had Great Britain. Of all who prayed for peace, who had such a claim as Britain. During the pregnant days of early August, England had not asked for war, yet it was the culmination of the German arms for a struggle for the mastery of Europe. They had accused us of being a robber nation, of perfidy and of all manner of atrocities, but what of their conduct? Referring back to the British policy of all ages, the speaker showed it to be one of right. Britain had never asked for war. The French had been conquered by right, Canada has been maintained by the same token against French attack. Right again triumphed in the struggles of the United States against the unjust decrees of King George. Look at Germany, they had an area of 280,000 square miles and a population of 65,000,000, an average of 300 to the square mile. They wanted to expand and had a great area of habitable colony, some of 1,135,000 square miles of it, but the Germans was not popular there. In all their colonies they had 1,800,000 or only twice the number in Toronto. Why did they populate their own colonies? The answer was simple. They preferred the freedom which existed under the Union Jack, the very issue upon which this war was being fought.

Under the spread eagle they had no freedom. They did not feel as men. Hence they emigrated to British colonies. Great Britain had ever cherished the ideals of liberty. The Kaiser had said might was right. He had answered right is might. That was our plea. It was the plea of honor. Wellington, Napoleon and Shakspeare had maintained it. Napoleon had placed the iron line of empire to one. Shakspeare had held that a man was thrice armed when his cause was right.

There was no part of the Empire which had not immediately responded to the call when war was proclaimed. At once all party politics had been dropped. Ireland, India, Australia and Canada at once rallied to the aid of the Mother Country. Canada was not behind other colonies in the matter of providing warships. She had sent her best, her blood and bone, the bravest of the brave, 33,000 of them, it was not much to say. It might be a great army of a line of battle, but they were nevertheless a mighty unit. If they were formed up four deep and marched between Burford and Brantford the last would be leaving Burford as the first of the first. It was Canada's quota and we were proud of them, for their sacrifice and Canada's sacrifice was one of the features of the war. There were not more brave or athletic troops than those who had left Canada.

The mastery of the seas was Britain's, and had been maintained for hundreds of years. The fact that a fleet of 20 ships could, in these days of war, cross the Atlantic without molestation, proved beyond doubt that Britain held the key to the seas. 70,000 troops had come from other sides of the world. Was the mastery not worth it? The colonial and Imperial sides of the war had been reviewed, now as to the Canadian side. In no corner of the Empire was there any lack of response to the call to arms. The Germans had thought to catch us at a disadvantage. But they did not know us. They did not understand the ruling of her 35,000,000 subjects, the British Empire. Should they rise, it would require an army larger than that of the German Empire to hold them down. The unity was effected by the underlying spirit of liberty, which life under the flag meant. Thus it was that instead of Germany having to fight the 45,000,000 of the British Isles, she was fighting against the whole Empire.

The proudest boast of a Canadian was logically, this, that Britain was the mother of Parliament and that the credit and the glory of those fact was Canada's.

Rome had taught the world the power of organization. To Greece we were indebted for works of art, but the mission of the British Empire was the liberty of the subject. Canada had been oppressed by the British rule they would have followed the example of the thirteen states. They had rebelled righteously and had at last peacefully obtained their independence. It was something new for a colony to break away but at the same time it spread a great light on the much vexed question of imperial government. Canada had alighted upon an easy, and at the same time peculiar way of settling the problem. The glory of the Canadian,

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IMPUDENT

(Continued from Page 1) no objection to the German Government seizing Walfish bay and the islands which lie opposite German Southwestern Africa. The valley course of the Orange River will henceforth form the boundary between Cape Province and German Southwestern Africa. "6. The German empire will raise no objection to the above-named states taking possession of Delagoa Bay. "7. Should the rebellion be unsuccessful, the rebels who cross over to German territory will be recognized and treated as German subjects. The text of treaty in the foregoing is a translation of the original made by the German information service.

A SUICIDE.
KINGSTON, Ont., Dec. 15.—Jack Burns, a member of the city fire department for years, while in a fit of despondency, shot himself twice in the head with a revolver and is in a serious condition. He has a wife and family. Christmas presents for men and boys. Suitable, sensible, seasonable, reasonable, at McFarland's.

Late Wires

SHOT HIMSELF.
MONTREAL, Dec. 16.—Despondent because his business associate had suddenly left him to go to the war, and because he could not himself go, A. C. Gee, a St. James street fruit merchant, and an old countryman, this morning committed suicide by shooting himself in the head with a rifle.

CANADIAN HONORED.

MONTREAL, Dec. 16.—In gazetting William C. G. Heneker as a general and calling him home from India, the Canadian General Electric Company, the Canadian General Electric Company, the Central Canada Loan and Savings Corporation, the Dominion Securities Corporation, the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, and the Toronto General Trust Corporation. He was for long identified with the Toronto Globe publishing company, and had been for many years, its president and upon the death of Mr. D. R. Wilkie, a few weeks ago, he was elected president of the Imperial Bank.

He was called to the senate in 1906. The late Senator Jaffray is survived by two daughters, the widow of the late Christopher Eaton, of Owen Sound and Mrs. Wellington A. Cameron, of Toronto, and two sons, William G. Jaffray, of Jaffray, Cassels and Biggar, members of the Toronto Stock Exchange, and Robert A. Jaffray, a missionary in South China. Mrs. Jaffray, who was the daughter of the late John Bugg, for fourteen years an alderman of Toronto, died in 1906.

Senator Jaffray Died at Toronto

(By Special Wire to the Courier) TORONTO, Dec. 16.—Senator Jaffray died at four thirty this morning. He had been confined to the house under the care of his physician since Friday last. The immediate cause of death was the bursting of a blood vessel in the abdomen. His two daughters, Mrs. Eaton and Mrs. Cameron, were with him at the time of his death.

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eron and his son, W. G. Jaffray were at his bedside. Hon. Robert Jaffray was born near Bannockburn, Scotland, January 23, 1832 and came to Canada in early life, engaging in the grocery business. He continued in that trade until 1883, since when he has been occupied with various financial and commercial undertakings. He was a director of the Canada Foundry Company, the Canada Life Assurance Company, the Canadian General Electric Company, the Central Canada Loan and Savings Corporation, the Dominion Securities Corporation, the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, and the Toronto General Trust Corporation.

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TWO ATHLETES KILLED

DUNKIRK, France, Dec. 4.—Gabriel Parlain, who won the world's professional bicycle sprint championship in 1910 and O. Lapize, an Olympic games champion, and a widely known professional rider, have been killed in action. Among those reported captured by the Germans are Trousselier, a famous road rider; Broco, a six-day racer; Berthet, a former holder of the world's one-hour record; and Hourlier, last year's sprint champion.

HIGHLANDERS NOT SOLD; RUPPERT \$50,000 SHY

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—After more than two weeks of seclusion, Frank Farrell, President of the Highlanders, was located yesterday. President Farrell made his appearance at the Highlanders' office in Forty-second street and declared that he would not sell the team to Colonel Ruppert, the

millionaire brewery man, unless he came through with \$500,000. "I'll sell the Highlanders to Colonel Ruppert, or anybody else," declared Farrell, but they will have to pay me \$500,000 before I turn over the club to them.

THE TITLES MUST BE THE ATTRACTION

MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—The success of the coming tournament for the amateur boxing championship of Canada is assured, according to a prominent M.S.A.A. official, who will be connected with the running of the championship, even if there was not an outside entry. "We have a hundred boxers in this vicinity," he said, "and lots of championship calibre. There won't be any hold-up in connection with this tournament, such as has been the case in Toronto. I am told, and if any boxers from that city or elsewhere think we are going to pay their expenses to come down here to compete they can get rid of

that foolishness at once. If the championship of Canada is not sufficient inducement to bring them here they can stay at home. Our committee will not encourage the peculiar ideas that some boxing clubs or their mouthpieces seem to entertain."

"GERMANY" SCHAEFER IS RELEASED OUTRIGHT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Announcement was made here today that Herman Schaefer, who has filled in at utility roles for the Washington American League baseball club since the latter part of 1909, has been given his unconditional release by Manager Griffith. Schaefer was one of the oldest players on the local team, and came here from Detroit.

"HOOKS" WILTSE SLATED TO MANAGE SYRACUSE

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—George Wiltse, the veteran lefthanded pitcher of the New York Nationals, has received his unconditional release. It is said that if Syracuse gets an International League franchise Wiltse will be made manager of the team there.

INDIANAPOLIS FEELS WILL BUY THEIR PARK

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 16.—A bond issue of \$200,000 to purchase the baseball park used by the Indianapolis Federal League team was authorized by stockholders of the local club last night. Eighty others were represented.

MANY OTHERS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Organized baseball has always claimed that the Federal was a minor league, and so it has been; but it needs only a few players of the calibre of Johnson, Dooin and Magee to entitle it to

class with major organizations. The Reds developed a number of good players last season and also learned a whole lot about the business side of baseball.

"GUNBOAT" SMITH MEETS A TARTAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Jim Coffey the Dublin giant, out fought "Gunboat" Smith of California, in a ten-round bout at Madison Square Garden last night.

Had Coffey stepped in and carried the fight to Smith, he would in all probability have beaten him decisively, but all Coffey did was to jab and cross short rights to the head, and do better at close quarters. Coffey weighed 198 and Smith 180 pounds.

WELSH AND M' FARLAND ARE NOT APT TO MEET

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Packey McFarland, the Chicago lightweight fighter, probably never again will enter the ring.

"I'm through with fighting," said Packey. "Why should I battle? I have acquired a quarter of a million dollars. I'm only 28 years old. If I ever do fight again it will not be because I need the money, but because I am patriotic enough to battle for the sake of keeping the title in this country."

Matchmakers tried to make a match between Packey and world's champion lightweight, Freddie Welsh, but present indications are there will be no fight between the pair, because the Chicagoan make too low a weight figure.

SCHEDULE MAKERS ARRANGING FIXTURES

Convenors of G.H.A. groups are becoming busy and several have already convened their delegates and arranged schedules in the intermediate and junior series. It is imperative that the playing dates be arranged as soon as possible so that, in the event of changes being necessary, they may be made before the actual opening of the season. The senior fixtures were announced some days ago and the following intermediate and junior dates have also been fixed:

- INTERMEDIATE—GROUP NO. 9
- Jan. 1.—Paris at Woodstock, Brantford at Ingersoll.
- Jan. 4.—Woodstock at London, Ingersoll at Paris.
- Jan. 6.—London at Ingersoll.
- Jan. 8.—Woodstock at Brantford.
- Jan. 11.—London at Paris, Woodstock at Ingersoll.
- Jan. 13.—London at Woodstock.
- Jan. 15.—Ingersoll at Brantford.
- Jan. 18.—Paris at London.
- Jan. 19.—Brantford at Woodstock.
- Jan. 22.—Brantford at Paris, Ingersoll at Woodstock.
- Jan. 25.—Paris at Brantford, Ingersoll at London.
- Jan. 28.—Paris at Ingersoll, Brantford at London.
- Feb. 1.—London at Brantford, Woodstock at Paris.

Football

(By Special Wire to the Courier)
NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A cable from London to The Herald says: Following the decision of the Scottish Football Association last week to cancel the Scottish Cup ties for this season, strong rumors are gaining ground that the remaining league games may be abandoned. Ever Scottish League team has given up several players who have gone on active service, and several of the clubs are finding great difficulty in getting together a team strong enough for each Saturday's league game. The famous amateur club, Queen's Park, are the chief sufferers, the whole of their first eleven having gone to the war, and having to put a reserve team in the field each week will explain their position at the bottom of the league. The first team of the Hearts who were at the top of the table with a brilliant record, have recently volunteered while six of their players have already joined the colors, the remainder are expected to

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Western University play to-night and to-morrow night in Detroit. Martin and Taylor, formerly of Waterford, are out with the Hamilton intermediates. Riversides, of the O. H. A. senior series play in Cleveland on Friday and Saturday nights. Games in the Quebec Arena League will be played on Sunday afternoon in the Ancient City. Jake Gildner, formerly of the Waterloo O. H. A. team, will be out with the Ontario at yesterday's practice. Bob Wall, the former Montreal Shamrock lacrosse player, will play hockey with the Crescent A. C. of New York this winter. Jack Ross, the Ottawa amateur, who has been much in demand by the pros, will stick with the simon-pures and has decided to play with Ottawa College. On Christmas Day Stratford and Western University will probably play two exhibition games. The intention is to play in Stratford in the afternoon and at London at night. Goalkeeper Primesau, formerly of Midland juniors, is trying out with the Victorias. D'Arcy Smith, who played the position for the champions last season, is out of town. Lavings of the Midland O. H. A. seniors has been let out by the Wanderers after a brief trial. Beatty, of the same team is claimed by the Ontarios. He has not yet turned out to practice.

Puckerings

Walter Johnson has written a friend the inside facts of his negotiations with the Federal league. The Coffeyville cyclone says Washington's best offer was \$12,000. The Chicago Independents gave him a bonus of \$56,000 and a three year contract at \$17,500 a season. Since Richmond has been given a place in the International League the Virginia League is apt to collapse. It has been shaky for several seasons and now the Portsmouth club offers its franchise and effects for sale to the highest bidder. It owes \$725 and cannot find the money. Every league in organized baseball is preparing to cut its salaries, reduce the number of players to be carried, eliminate or shorten training trips, cut down the length of the playing season and to retrench in other ways, while the Federals are sailing right into the trust and stealing away the star players. The Federals are seemingly out to make or break.

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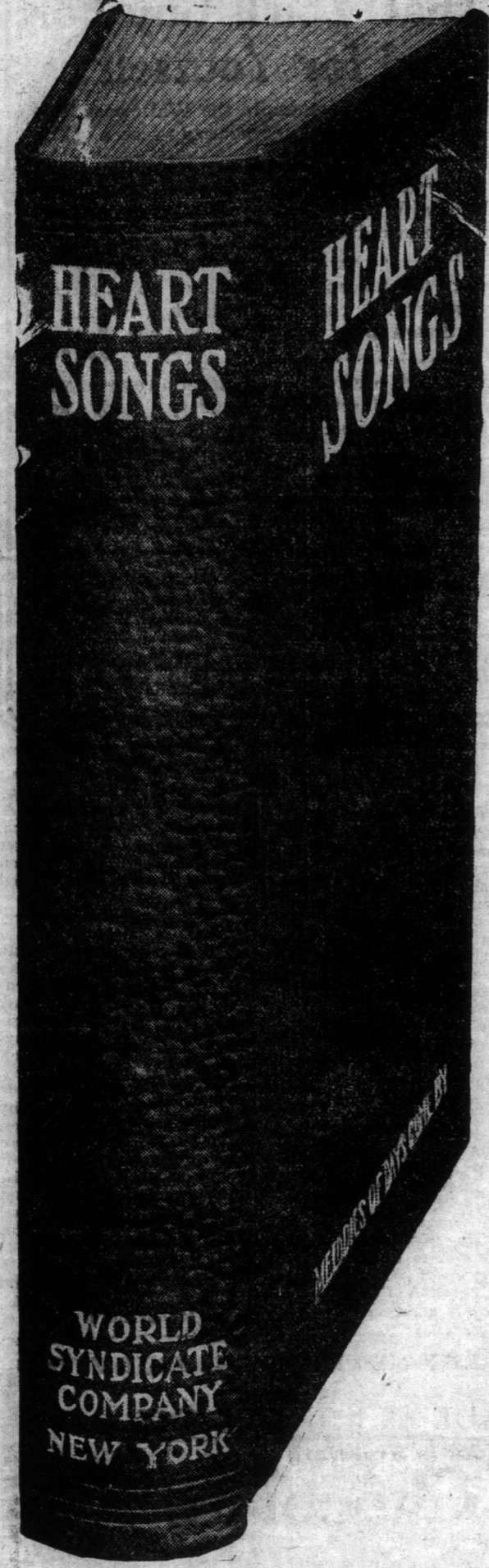
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SCOTLAND

(From Our Own Correspondent)
Mr. and Mrs. R. Taylor of Brantford spent a few days last week in the village. The members of the Congregational Church met on Monday evening and presented Mr. and Mrs. Morley with an address prior to their leaving for their new home in Stratford. A number from here attended the funeral of Mr. Albert Bartholomew, of Vanessa on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Wm. Sheppard, north of the village had the misfortune to have his house burned on Wednesday last. The two Sabbath schools are busy preparing for their holiday entertainments.

HARRISBURG

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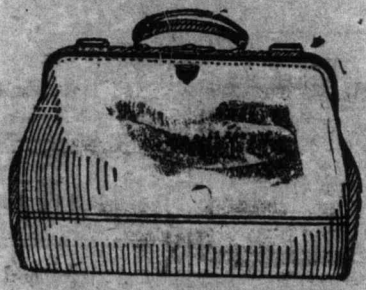
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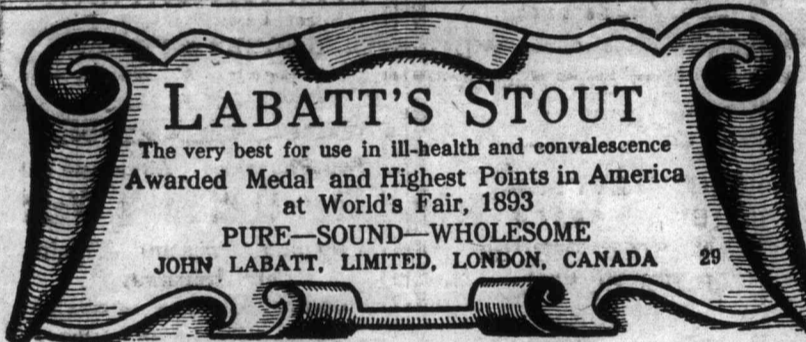
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Edmonton to Run Shop in Clean Manner

[By Special Wire to the Courier] EDMONTON, Alb., Dec. 15.—In the bitterest election fight ever held in Edmonton, W. T. Henry yesterday defeated Joseph Adair for mayor by a majority of 5,500 and in the short term contest caused by the unseating of ex-Mayor McNamara and ex-Alderman East, Henry was victorious over McNamara by 6,000 majority and J. McDonald defeated East by a similar figure.
For aldermen the entire Henry "clean city" ticket, composed of James Romsey, Joseph Pickard, S. W. Williamson, H. A. Calder, W. C. McArthur and J. N. Firth were elected by majorities of from 3,000 to 4,000 over other candidates. James Ramsey leading the poll. Alderman East and Driscoll, survivors of this year's administration were among those going down.
Rev. A. M. McDonald, formerly a Baptist pastor in Winnipeg, was also among the defeated. The contest centered over the question of a clean city and the dividing line was the result of the revelations of the police investigations of last year. Those elected are pledged to the eradication of the social evil in Edmonton, which was accorded a policy of toleration during the early part of this year. Several defeated candidates opposed to the "clean city" slate professed that they were also for a clean city, but the newspapers and churches fought for the slate in its entirety. Both the proposed executive commission for the city government and proposed ward system were defeated.

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MORE GLOOM ADDED
NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A London cable to the Herald says: "On account of another lighting order, issued by the home secretary, the streets of London will be even gloomier than before. The use of lights for outside advertising and for the illumination of shop fronts is entirely prohibited after sunset. Formerly only powerful lights outside the shops were prohibited."

BROKEN BRIDGES
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ROTTERDAM, Dec. 16.—From a reliable private source your correspondent learns that a contract has been entered into and is actually being carried out for the transport of all ironwork in the smashed Belgian bridges to Germany.

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Sir Nigel

By A. Conan Doyle
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But it was only a short respite which the skill of his comrades had given to the young archer. Over the parapet there appeared a ball of brass, then a pair of great braziers' shoulders, and lastly the full figure of an armored man. He walked to the edge and he heard his hoarse guttural laugh as the arrows clanged and clattered against his impenetrable mail. He slapped his breast-plate, as he jeered at them. Well he knew that at the distance no dart ever sped by mortal hands, could cleave through his plates of metal. So he stood, the great burly Butcher of La Brohiniere, with head upstated, laughing insolently at his foes. Then with slow and ponderous tread he walked toward his boy victim, seized him by the ear, and dragged him across so that the rope might be straight. Seeing that the noose had slipped across the face, he tried to push it down, but the hand glove hampering him he pulled it off, and grasped the rope above the lad's head with his naked hand.
Quick as a flash old Wat's arrow had sped, and the Butcher sprang back with a howl of pain, his head skewered by a cloth-yard shaft. As he shook it furiously at his enemies a second grazed his knuckles. With a brutal kick of his metal-shod feet he hurled young Alapaye over the edge, looked down for a few moments at his death agonies, and then walked slowly from the parapet, nursing his dripping hand, the arrows still ringing loudly upon his back-pieces as he went.
The archers below, enraged at the death of their comrades, leaped and howled like a pack of ravening wolves.
"By Saint Dunstan," said Percy, looking round at their flushed faces, "if ever we are to carry it now is the moment, for these men will not be stopped if hale can take them forward."
"You are right, Thomas," cried Knolles. "Gather together twenty men-at-arms each with his shield to cover him, Arslay, do you place the bowmen so that no head may show at window or parapet. Nigel, I pray you to order the countryfolk forward with their fardels of fagots. Let the others bring up the lopped pine-trees which lie yonder behind the horse lines. Ten men-at-arms can bear it on the right, and ten on the left, having shields over their heads. The gate is to be broken at every man rush in. And God help the better cause!"
Swiftly and yet quietly the dispositions were made, for these were soldiers whose daily trade was war. In little groups the archers formed in front of each slit or crevice in the walls, whilst others scanned the battlements with wary eyes, and spelt an arrow at every face which gleamed London above them. The gunner rison shot forth a shower of crossbow bolts and an occasional stone from their engine, but so deadly was the hail which rained upon them that once down, let every man rush in, and their discharges were wild and harmless. Under cover of the shafts of the bowmen a line of peasants ran unscathed to the edge of the ditch, each hurrying in the bundle which he bore in his arms, and then hurrying back for another one. In twenty minutes a broad pathway of fagots lay level with the ground upon the side and the other side of the ditch. With the loss of two peasants slain by bolts and one archer crushed by a stone, the ditch had been filled up. All was ready for the battering-ram.
With a shout, twenty picked men rushed forward with the pine-tree under their arms, the heavy end turned toward the gate. The arbalesters on the lower level aimed and shot into the midst of them, but could not stop their advance. Two dropped, but the others raising their shields ran onward still shouting, crossed the bridge of fagots, and came with a thundering crash against the door. It splintered from base to arch, but kept its place.
Swinging their mighty weapon, the storming party thudded and crashed upon the gate, every blow loosening and widening the cracks which rent it from end to end. The three knights, with Nigel, the Frenchman Raoul and the other squires, stood beside the ram, cheering on the men, and chanting to the rhythm of the swing with a loud "Ha!" at every blow. A great stone loosened from the parapet roared through the air and struck Sir James Astley and another of the attackers, but Nigel and the Frenchman had taken their places in an instant, and the ram thudded and smashed with greater energy than ever. Another blow and another! the lower part was staving inward, but the great central bar still held firm. Surely another minute would beat it from its sockets.
But suddenly from above there came a great deluge of liquid. A hoghead of it had been tilled from the battlement, until soldiers, bridge, and ram were equally drenched in yellow slime. Knolles rubbed his gauntlet in it, held it to his visor, and smelled it.
"Back, back!" he cried, "Back before it is too late!"
There was a small barred window above their heads at the side of the gate. A ruddy head shone through it, and then a halberd torch was tossed down upon them. In a moment the oil had caught and the whole place was a sheet of flame. The fire-tree that they carried, the fagots beneath them, their very weapons, were all in a blaze.
To right and left the men sprang down into the dry ditch, rolling with screams upon the ground in their endeavor to extinguish the flames. The knights and squires protected by their armor strove hard, stamping and slapping, to help those who had but leather jackets to shield their bodies. From above a ceaseless shower of darts and of stones were poured down upon

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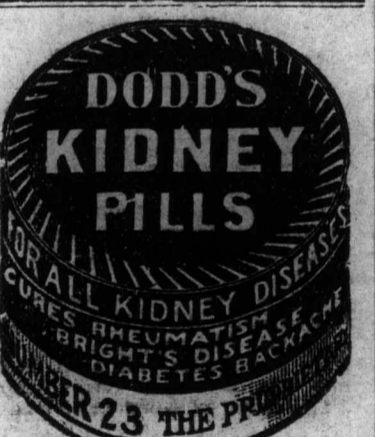
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COMING EVENTS

SONS OF SCOTLAND—Important business and election of officers, Thursday, Dec. 17th. Full attendance of members requested.

DON'T FORGET THE Suffrage Debate to-morrow night at Bellevue School, at 8 o'clock. Everybody welcome. Evening free.

THE CAINSVILLE FARMERS CLUB will meet on Friday, Dec. 18th, in the Orange Hall, a good programme is arranged. All welcome.

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CARD OF THANKS. Mr. Henry Benson and family wish to thank their many friends for sympathy towards them during their recent sad bereavement.

Local News

THE PROBS TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 16.—Fair, cold weather prevails throughout the Dominion, except that local snow has occurred in the lake region, the fall amounting to seven inches at PARRY SOUND.

FORECASTS Fresh westerly winds, a few local snow falls or flurries, but generally fair and decidedly cold to-day and on Thursday.

SECOND SHIPMENT The Women's Patriotic League of the Six Nation Indians is sending a second shipment to Toronto to-day to their soldiers at Exhibition Park.

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The Servians, harried by the invaders and believed to be beaten, whirled suddenly upon their foes and in fierce fighting the veteran Serbs drove them to the west and north back across the Serbian frontier.

"Austria holds now only two towns on Serbian territory, Shabatz and Loznica in the extreme northwestern corner of the little kingdom."

Cutting off part of the right wing of the Austrians, which had fled into Bosnia, the Montenegrin army has given substantial aid to the Servians. A dispatch from Cetinje tells of this successful manoeuvre.

Back in their capital the Servians explain that lack of ammunition caused the retrograde movements which deceived the Austrians into the belief

that conquest of the invaded kingdom was almost complete. The ammunition captured from the invaders replenished the Servian supply and made possible the routing of Emperor Francis Joseph's army.

Retirement of the right wing, says the Austrian headquarters in Vienna, made the abandonment of Belgrade seem advisable. The withdrawal, it is declared, was made without a battle.

GERMANS REPULSED PETROGRAD, Dec. 16.—The Army Messenger publishes a series of communications from the front as follows: "On the front of Lovicz and Ilow violent German attacks have had no success. Our troops have repulsed the Germans, causing them to suffer great losses."

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The first warning sound of firing, which attracted little attention except from the military authorities, came at 5.30 in the morning.

At 6 o'clock three German war craft, the majority of which were expected to be one battle cruiser and two destroyers, loomed out of a heavy cloud underneath the cliffs that were unable to train their guns on the wireless station on the heights.

However, the big resort hotel, the esplanade and the old town of tempting targets, and a rapid shrapnel and lyddite shells began to fall in this section, doing great damage to the hotels and destruction to houses and shops in the poorer districts. A woman in one of these was literally blown to pieces.

One of the light cruisers seemed to be doing most of the firing. First let go with her stern guns and manoeuvring further out, devoted broadsides to the more conspicuous buildings on the higher ground, the result of this bombardment, shells found a target in the Scarborough hospital, one tearing a hole in the roof, another striking nurses' quarters, and the third striking the ornamental facade of the entrance.

The wall of the old castle, looks formidable, but which has been unoccupied for hundreds of years, breached by an eight-inch shell.

The gunners now got the range of the wireless station, used to injure it, most of the shell which was completely plowed to them.

Some of the better class of tents now began to suffer, one of them being the home of Russell, member of Parliament for the district. His life and that of his wife were saved by the fact that they had been down for an early breakfast and in the kitchen, the only part of the house untouched, the rest being a wreck. At the same time a house, occupied by a soldier, his wife and child and nephew, was struck by an explosive shell, reducing the whole family to nothing.

The bombardment had now been for fifteen minutes and the town given a five minutes' breathing. The streets were cleared for when the light cruiser, after bringing a new broadside into the town, the German squadron then what looked like a deserted town. The gunners now directed their attention to the railway station, the result that a whole row of houses, including a church in a by street, were wrecked, but with loss of life as the occupants had saved by the fact that they were in their beds.

During the early stages of bombardment the screaming

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ONLY 6 MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

GRANDMA'S

Too often Santa never enters and finds the wolf at the door.