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3 MEN DROWN NORTH

Tragic Accident is Reported From Goose Cove on the French Shore

BOAT SWAMPED IN THE ROUGH SEA

Names of Victims Are Jeremiah Colborne, George Wells and Frank Wells

Word comes from Chance Cove that Mr. Jeremiah Colborne and Geo. and Frank Wells were drowned at Goose Cove, French Shore, on the 19th inst. Mr. Colborne was skipper of Mr. S. Wells' boat and the latter's three sons constituted the crew. They were in the act of hauling their herring net and as the water was rough the boat was swamped and the three occupants drowned. The accident has caused great sorrow in the northern settlements as the men were well-known. Mr. Colborne left a wife and one daughter at home, another daughter who is in charge of the Salvation Army at Alexander Bay, and two sons at Vancouver, B.C. To all the sorrowing relatives we extend sympathy.

GOT SILVER FOX IN RABBIT SLIP

But, Alas! it's the Close Season—Homeward Bound Schooners Put in at Catalina

Catalina, Sept. 26.—On Tuesday night the s.s. Fiona arrived here from Bonavista and landed the Judge and his staff. There being nothing to do the party again left by the 11 o'clock train Wednesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Abel Stone, who have been running a boarding house here for a number of years, also left by Wednesday night's train enroute to Bell Island, where they will reside in future.

Old Friends in Port.

Several schooners belonging to Trinity Bay on their way from Labrador put in here on Thursday. Amongst them were skippers John Loder from Snook's Hr., James Shaw from Little Heart's Ease, and Ben Bailey from Port Rexton. All of them have fair trips and let us hope they shall likewise get a fair price.

The Union premises for the past few days has been rather a busy spot as the fishermen were taking advantage of the weather to dispose of their voyage.

We are now anxiously waiting for the schr. Huron to load Union fish.

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The schr. Kate, Skipper John Guppy, from Labrador, bound to Port Rexton, put in here on Friday evening, hauling for 300 barrels.

Skipper John is looking hale and hearty after the summer and his many friends were delighted to see him.

On Friday morning while looking at his rabbit slips Joseph Tippett, sr., was rather surprised to find in one of them a young silver hair fox, but as the close season is yet on poor Joe's fox won't be worth very much to him.

IMPERIAL GUARD "CUT UP" AGAIN

Kaiser's Pet Corps Once More "Annihilated"

Bordeaux, Sept. 28.—According to despatches received here the Prussian Guards have been cut to pieces during the fighting of the last three days. The strength of one company has been reduced from 250 to 100 men.

Virtually all the original officers of the Guards have been killed or wounded, and two battalions (2,000 men) have been annihilated.

The s.s. Kearise arrived at Bay Roberts yesterday with a cargo of coal.

GERMAN HEADQUARTERS AFIRE; 300,000 AUSTRIANS DEFEATED; AN ANGLO-JAPANESE VICTORY

City of Mons Reported in Flames—Servians Claim a Big Victory—Russians and Germans Reported to be Fighting a Big Battle in East Prussia—Germans Make Fierce Attacks on the Allies

Ostend, Sept. 28.—Unconfirmed reports say that the city of Mons, headquarters of the German General Bohen, is burning.

Victory For Servians

Nish, Sept. 28.—Servians claim another decisive victory over 300,000 Austrians, along the Drina.

Capture German Outworks

Tokio, Sept. 28.—Fighting at Tsing Tao between Germans and Anglo-Japanese is continuing. The outlying trenches of the German stronghold have been captured.

Big Battle in East Prussia

London, Sept. 28.—An official announcement says that the Germans are attacking the British even more fiercely, but with no success. Fighting around Tourin on the Belgian frontier is repulsed.

The struggle continues between the Allies' left and the German extreme right.

Russians and Germans are engaged in a big battle in East Prussia.

RUSSIANS DRIVE AUSTRIANS EVERYWHERE BEFORE THEM

Chase the Right Wing of Their Army Across the Carpathian Mountains and the Left Wing to Cracow—Another Przemysl Fort Falls

London, Sept. 29.—A Central News despatch from Rome says the following telegram has been received from Petrograd:

"The right wing of the Austrians have been driven back beyond Carpathians into Hungary where they are being pursued by the Russians.

"The Austrian debacle is complete and they have lost all their artillery.

"The Austrian left wing has retreated to Cracow.

"The Russians have occupied another of the forts of Przemysl.

ULSTER PROGRAM IS MAPPED OUT

Carson Says That at the End of the War the Covenanters Will Take Active Steps

Belfast, Sept. 28.—Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Irish Union party, outlined the Ulster programme of the future in addressing the Unionist Council yesterday.

"I propose," he said, "when the war is over to summon a provisional government, and I propose that their first act should be to repeal the Home Rule Bill.

"So far as Ulster is concerned I propose in the same act to enact that it is the duty of the volunteers to see that no act or no attempt to enact that Bill should ever have any effect in Ulster.

"Meanwhile, let us throw ourselves, as we are throwing ourselves, wholeheartedly into the patriotic action that the time demands."

ORDER SAYS 'MAKE' NO PRISONERS

Germans Told to Shoot All Made Captive

Bordeaux, Sept. 25.—The French foreign office today made the statement that General Stenger, commanding the 53rd German infantry brigade, has issued an order of which the following is a translation:

"Make no prisoners. Shoot all who fall into your hands, single or in groups, and despatch the wounded, whether armed or unarmed, as the Germans must leave no Frenchmen living behind them."

SLIGHT ADVANCE BY ALLIES

On the Heights of the Meuse—Dense Fog Stops Operations in the Woevre District

IMPERIAL GUARD IS WIPED OUT?

Success of Franco-British Expedition to German Colony in the Cameruns—Capital Taken

(Official St. Pierre Bulletin.) St. Pierre, Sept. 28.—News received from the left wing is favorable.

In the centre our troops have opposed, with success, the violent German attacks.

We have slightly progressed on heights of the Meuse. In the Woevre district dense fog was the cause of the suspension of operations.

In Lorraine and the Vosges the situation is unchanged.

During the last three days of fighting the Prussian Guard has been destroyed.

Strong companies of 350 men are reduced to 100. The officers commanding this corps since the beginning of the war are all killed or wounded. Two battalions are completely annihilated.

A Franco-British expedition supported by cruisers, notably the British warship Cumberland and the French warship Bruix, landed in Camerun, the capital of which has surrendered unconditionally.

Dardanelles Closed

London, Sept. 29.—The Dardanelles have been closed to navigation, according to a despatch from Constantinople. The duration of the closure is not stated.

The Postal Telegraphs and R.N. Co's telegraph lines were interrupted last night by the storm. Repairs are busy today effecting repairs.

STEADY PRESSURE OF ALLIES DRIVING THE GERMAN ARMY TO USE DESPERATE TACTICS

Position of the Enemy Becoming More and More Critical and he is Trying to Retrieve His Fortunes by a Series of Ferocious Counter-Attacks Which Are Everywhere Decisively Repulsed

London, Sept. 29.—For the first time since the beginning of war wireless news circulated by the French Government through the Eiffel Tower at Paris was received in London last night.

The message, dated September 28th, follows: "Feeling that their position was becoming more and more critical under the pressure of the Allies, the Germans have tried to stop us by repeated counter-attacks.

Daily Attacks Beaten Back

"Since September 26th they have delivered by day and night frequent violent attacks at several positions on our front. Everywhere they have been repulsed, sustaining considerable losses and abandoning as they lay thousands of dead and wounded.

"Every army corps and guards was severely put to the test and large numbers of prisoners fell into our hands. It is to be remarked that many of the latter gave themselves up voluntarily.

Not Scared of Treatment

"It seems that the German soldiers are beginning to have no further doubt as to the treatment which awaits them in captivity. At the beginning of the war all those we have captured had a terrified and supplicating attitude, arising out of statements made by their officers to the effect that the French shot all prisoners.

"It is rather by an excess of kindness that we transgress in regard to them and the kindly treatment which is meted out to prisoners in certain districts of France has even evoked complaint which has occasionally been justified on the part of all those who know how our own men are treated in Germany."

Wreckage Picked Up

Deputy Minister of Customs LeMessurier received a message from Ramea, today, that a large piece of a new schooner's keel was picked up here from a schooner of about 130 tons, and small pieces of plank, all new. Am making an investigation and will report later.

GERMAN ATTACK ANTWERP FORTS

Antwerp, Sept. 28.—The forts of Antwerp are reported to be under bombardment. Belgian troops drove off German cavalry five miles from Antwerp forts.

AUSTRIANS SEIZED C.P.R. PROPERTY

Confiscate Securities and Cars in Austria Alleging the Concern Wouldn't Pay Dividends to Austrian Shareholders

Vienna, Sept. 29.—The Austrian Government has confiscated the Canadian Pacific Railway Co's securities and money deposited at Vienna, according to a report, as well as the company's observation cars running on the Austrian railroads.

This is the result, it is said, of the refusal of the company to pay the dividends of the Austrian shareholders.

POSTERS SAY "WE WANT PEACE"

Pasted Up On Hoardings All Over Germany

London, Sept. 24.—Despite the watchfulness of the German authorities, says a despatch from Copenhagen to the London Evening News, syndicalist posters proclaiming—"We want peace, down with the Kaiser," are appearing on the walls of buildings in Berlin.

Travellers driving through the city between railway stations are ordered to keep the blinds of their vehicles drawn so that the posters may not be seen.

The s.s. Sjordstad passed the Narrows at 4 p.m. yesterday from Sydney and is to arrive at Bell Island with a cargo of coal.

GUNNING ACCIDENT MAN SHOT

Samuel West Meets His Death Off Musgrave Harbor in Tragic Fashion

VICTIM WAS SHOT IN THE THROAT

When the Gun Went Off and Was Killed Instantaneously

Doting Cove, Sept. 19.—Wind north; blowing a gale. William Guy lost his schooner at Musgrave Hr.

Monday, Sept. 21.—A few skiffs returned from the Wadhams and report a good sign of fish.

Tuesday, Sept. 22.—Fine; everybody busy making fish.

Wednesday, Sept. 23.—Sehr. Emma Brown arrived and landed a freight.

Thursday, Sept. 24.—Samuel West, of Musgrave Hr., and others were out in motor boat; in handling gun, set her off, burst, the load striking Saml. West in the throat, killing him instantly.

ULSTER RIFLES FOR BELGIANS

Helped the Plucky Little People to Undertake Successful Operations Against Germans

London, Sept. 24.—Mr. Churchill has confirmed the rumor, long current, that the Orangemen of Belfast had given their rifles to the Belgians. "There is no harm now in saying that Sir Edward Carson was asked about a month ago to come to the Belgians' help with a large number of rifles" of the excellent pattern which Ulster volunteers were known to possess. Sir Edward at first refused, on the ground that the Home Rule danger was still imminent. Subsequently the Ulster Council decided to throw their whole influence on the side of Earl Kitchener's new army and gave the rifles.

It is not improbable that the effective Belgian sorties from Antwerp have been made possible by the arrival of Ulster rifles.

GERMAN STATION "YAPS" NO MORE

Manilla, Sept. 28.—British warships bombarded the town of Lai on the island of Yap in the Caroline group, destroying the German wireless plant and burning the town.

MAYBE THEY'LL FORGET IT THO'

Vienna, Sept. 28.—The Austrian fleet at Pola will soon give battle to the enemy's fleets.

GERMANY LOSES ANOTHER COLONY

London, Sept. 28.—It is officially announced that the German colony of Kamerun submitted when Bues, the capital, was seized by a British force.

Schooner "Glide" Lost at Hermitage

Deputy Minister of Customs LeMessurier had the following message yesterday from the Sub-Collector at Gaultois:

"Roberts' trading schooner Glide, 27 tons, drove out of Hermitage on Saturday night in the gale and is believed to be a total loss. She was valued at \$1,000.00. Rose's gasoline boat went ashore at Dawson's Cove."

A Heavy Sea

A tremendous sea is raging outside today. Fishing property on the Southside and at the Battery is in danger. No boats were able to go on the grounds.

Furious Fights Continue In The North Of France

Violence and Persistence of German Attacks Show That the Enemy is Endeavoring to Escape From a Difficult and Critical Position Allied Line is Holding Firmly

London, Sept. 29.—Furious fighting continues in Northern France. Beyond admitting this fact, the official statements are vague. A few details of the struggle which may be the turning point of the Western campaign have been given to the public.

The one sentence that there is no change in the situation epitomizes the official reports from London, Paris and Berlin.

The Allies claim to have made slight advances here and there, notably in the heights of the Meuse.

A German official statement, however, declares that the reports concerning the victorious advance of the enemy are untrue.

Both British and French official statements refer to the violence of attacks made by the Germans who seem to have redoubled their efforts in an attempt to hurl back the allied line.

Reports indicate, however, that the French and British have given no ground before the onslaught of the invaders.

A very rigorous censorship has evidently been imposed at virtually all points, particularly in London, regarding operations at the

front, as very little news is being permitted to come thro'.

The reason for the recent determined attacks by the Germans along the Somme is credited in French Military circles to the desire of the newly-appointed German Generals who have taken the places of those removed by the Emperor to carry out some daring exploit.

The centre of the battle line today again became the scene of heavy fighting. Here the Germans have most of their big guns, and they have also brought much infantry into action, but their efforts have proved ineffectual.

The s.s. Cornma is loading flour, etc., at Montreal for this port.

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon) — Strong winds or moderate gales from northwest, with showers. On Wednesday winds shifting to west and south-west; partly fair.

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Humorous Incident During
Royal Visit to the Wounded
in Hospital

London, Sept. 5.—(By mail to New York), Sept. 18.—A "broomstick salute" was given King George and Queen Mary the other day when they paid an unexpected visit to the London hospital housing 300 wounded soldiers.

Several of the soldiers had recovered sufficiently to be about, and as they insisted upon being given something to do, were armed with long brooms. They were sweeping out a ward when their Majesties appeared. The first soldier to see them was taken completely by surprise and exclaimed, "The King."

Improvised "Weapons"
Immediately the other men formed in line, drew up in close formation, each holding his broom, in lieu of a rifle, at the "present." Every man was extremely solemn and the King and Queen stood silent until the humor of the situation struck everyone present, and there was a general laugh.

The royal couple made a tour of all wards, stopping at the cot of each wounded man and hearing his story. The men proudly showed the bullets or pieces of shrapnel that had been extracted from their wounds by the surgeons.

Waiting For His Bullet
One man told the King he was sorry, but he was "still waiting for his bullet." An x-ray photograph of this soldier's wound showed that the bullet had actually touched his spine, and but little more pressure would have meant paralysis.

Another man had been pronounced "dead" from cholera and sewed up in a blanket for burial. He had recovered, however, took part in an engagement, and was wounded. Another had marched 60 miles without boots. His feet were so swollen from forced marches that he could not get his boots on, but he pressed on with his regiment.

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**GERMAN OFFICER
TELLS OF BATTLES**

Conflict Waged to the Music
Of Reports of the
Big Guns

Berlin, Sept. 18.—Capt. Schieckert, the correspondent of the Lokai Anzeiger, describes the action in East Prussia on September 10th as follows:

"Our heavy howitzer batteries located on the extreme right wing, bombarded the entrenchments and bomb proofs of the Russian infantry with terrible effect, and from this position we could watch the progress of the battle easily with field glasses, but we, too, caught the big notes of the battle music.

Battle Salvoes
"The battle salvoes of the Russians came in ever-shortening intervals and between rolled and infantry fire, now in volleys, and then irregularly. Meanwhile the hard rattle of the machine guns on the edge of the forest had a deafening sense, adding long runs of notes to the concert.

"The Russian shrapnel meanwhile burst too high or too low near our batteries, but the Russians, after a while got the range and over our batteries soon flew fragments of the iron shower bath intended for us.

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Heroic Action of a French
Engineer Who Destroyed
a Bridge

Havre, Sept. 21.—Gaston Bassier, of the 6th Cuirassiers, better known as "Darino," a Paris music-hall singer, tell a splendid tale of the destruction of the bridges across the Alsne, where the great battle is now raging.

"It was on the retreat from Mons, before the tables were turned at the Marne," says Bassier. "My regiment and the British Royal Engineers were travelling together. We crossed the Alsne at Soissons, and then a halt was called, while the bridge was to be blown up. A protective fire was kept up, but a grilling fire from the pursuing Germans made it impossible to lay the charge under the bridge. Suddenly we saw a little band of Engineers rush for cover towards the bridge. All were killed. But somehow the powder was laid. To fire it a second body rushed towards the bridge, but all were downed before they reached it.

"Then came what we who watched will never forget. A single engineer ran from cover. The hail of bullets from the German machine rifles on the far shore took him. Then another leaped out! Down! Another! Down! "Eleven men one after another, made that heroic attempt. The twelfth made the distance untouched. The guns on the far side roared louder. The engineer bent over the powder charge. A bullet got him and he fell. But he had fired the charge! The bridge roared upwards in a mountain of ruin!"

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If We Beat The British We Can Deal With French, Is Opinion of Germans

London, Sept. 24.—The Official Press Bureau tonight issued a report from Field Marshal Sir John French's headquarters, supplementing the despatch of September 22 on the British operations in France. The text follows:

"The enemy is still maintaining himself along the whole front, and in order to do so is throwing into the fight detachments composed of units from very different formations, the active army, reserve and landwehr, as is shown by the uniforms of the prisoners recently captured.

Battle May Continue for Days
"Our progress, although slow on account of the strength of the defensive positions, against which we are pressing, has in certain directions been continuous, but the present battle may well last for some days before a decision is reached, since it now approximates somewhat to siege warfare.

"The Germans are making use of searchlights. This fact, coupled with their great strength in heavy artillery, leads to the supposition that they are employing material which may have collected for the siege of Paris.

Repulsed All Attacks
"The nature of the general situation after the operation of the eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth, can not better be summarized than as expressed recently by a neighboring French commander to his corps:
"Having repulsed repeated and violent counter-attacks made by the enemy, we have a feeling that we have been victorious."

Brought Down German Airship
"So far as the British are concerned the course of events during these three days can be described in a few words. During Friday, the 18th, artillery fire was kept up intermittently by both sides during daylight. At night the Germans counter-attacked certain portions of our line, supporting the advance of their infantry, as always, by a heavy bombardment. But the strokes were delivered with great vigor and ceased about 2 a.m. During the day's fighting an aircraft gun of the Third Army Corps succeeded in bringing down a German aeroplane.

Cut Line of Communication
"News was received also that a body of French cavalry had demolished part of the railway to the north, so cutting, at least temporarily, one line of communication which was of particular importance to the enemy.

Complete Text of Sir John French's Report on Operations of the British at Battle of the Aisne

TESTIMONY OF SEVERAL LETTERS

Enemy's Officers Pay High Tribute to the Courage, Skill and Daring of Tommy Atkins in France

"On Saturday, the 19th, the bombardment was resumed by the Germans at an early hour, and continued intermittently under reply from our guns. Some of their infantry advanced from cover, apparently with the intention of attacking, but on coming under fire they retired. Otherwise the day was uneventful, except for the activity of the artillery, which is a matter of normal routine, rather than an event.

Found Enemy's Munitions of War
"Another hostile aeroplane was brought down by us, and one of our aviators succeeded in dropping several bombs over the German line, one incendiary bomb falling with considerable effect on a transport park near La Fere. A buried store of the enemy's munitions of war was also found, not far from the Aisne, ten wagons loads of cable being dug up. Traces were discovered of large quantities of stores having been burned, all tending to show that as far back as the Aisne the German retirement was hurried.

Repulsed Enemy With Loss
"There was a strong wind during the day accompanied by a driving rain. This militated against the aerial reconnaissance.

"On Sunday, the 20th, nothing of importance occurred until the afternoon, when there was a break in the clouds and an interval of feeble sunshine which was hardly powerful enough to warm the soaking troops. The Germans took advantage of this brief spell of fine weather to make several counter-attacks against different points. These were all repulsed with loss to the enemy, but the casualties incurred by us were by no means light.

"In one section of our firing line the occupants of the trenches were under the impression that they heard a military band in the enemy's lines just before the attack developed. It is now known that the German infantry started their advance with bands playing.

Infantry Always Ready
"The offensive against one or two points was removed at dusk, with no greater success. The brunt of the resistance has naturally fallen upon the infantry. In spite of the fact that for some days and their trenches have been deep in mud and water, and in spite of the incessant night alarms and the almost continuous bombardment to which they have been subjected, they have on every occasion been ready for the enemy's infantry when the latter attempted to assault, and they have beaten them back with great loss. Indeed, the sight of the Pickelhauben coming up has been a positive relief after long, trying hours of inaction under shell fire.

Failed to Shatter British Nerves
"The object of the great proportion of artillery the Germans employ is to beat down the resistance of their enemy by concentrated and prolonged fire, to shatter their nerve with high explosives, before the infantry attack is launched.

They seemed to have relied on this with us, but they have done so, though it has taken them several costly experiments to discover this fact.

"From statements of prisoners it appears that they have been greatly disappointed by the moral effect produced by their heavy guns, which, despite the actual losses inflicted, have not been at all commensurate with the colossal expenditure of ammunition which has really been wasted. By this it is not implied that their artillery fire is not good; it is more than good—it is excellent. But the British soldier is a difficult person to impress or depress, even by immense shells filled with a high explosive which detonate with terrific violence and form craters large enough to set as graves for five horses.

British Rifle Fire Effective
"The German howitzer shells are from eight to nine inches in calibre, and on impact they send up columns of greasy black smoke. On account of this they are dubbed 'coal boxes.'

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"black Maria, or 'Jack Johnson,' by the soldiers.

"Men who take things in this spirit are, it seems, likely to throw out the calculations based on the loss of morale so carefully framed by the German military philosophers.

"A considerable amount of information has been gleaned from prisoners. It has been gathered that our bombardment on the fifteenth produced a great impression. The opinion is also reported that our infantry make such good use of the ground that the German companies are decimated by our rifle fire before the British soldier can be seen.

German Losses Heavy
"From an official diary captured by the first army corps it appears that one of the German corps contains an extraordinary mixture of units. If the composition of the other corps is similar it may be assumed that the present efficiency of the enemy's forces is in no way comparable with what it was when the war commenced.

"The losses in officers are noted as having been especially severe. A brigade is stated to be commanded by a major; some companies of foot guards by one-year volunteers, while after the battle of Montbrail, one regiment lost fifty-five out of sixty officers. The prisoners recently captured appreciate the fact that the march on Paris has failed and that the forces are retreating, but state that the object of this movement is explained by the officers as being to withdraw into closer touch with the support which have stayed too far in the rear.

Officers Try to Encourage Troops
"The officers are also endeavoring to encourage the troops by telling them that they will be at home by Christmas. A large number of the men believe that they are beaten. The following is an extract from one document:
"With the English troops we have great difficulties. They have a queer way of causing losses to the enemy. They make good trenches, in which they wait patiently; they carefully measure the ranges for their rifle fire and they open a truly hellish fire on the unsuspecting cavalry. This was the reason that we had such heavy losses. According to our officers, the

English striking forces are exhausted, the English people really never wanted war."

The Englishmen Are Brave
"From another source: 'The English are very brave and fight to the last man. One of our companies has lost 130 men out of 240.'

"The following letter, which refers to the fighting on the Aisne, has been printed and circulated to the troops:
"Letter found on German officer of Seventh Reserve Corps:

"Corny, South of Laon, Sept. 17, 1914.—My dear parents: Our corps has the task of holding the heights south of Corny in all circumstances, till the fourteenth corps on our left flank can grip the enemy's flank. We are fighting with the English Guards, Highlanders and Zouaves. The losses on both sides have been enormous. For the most part this is due to the brilliant French artillery.

British Well Trained
"The English are marvellously trained in making use of ground. One never sees them and one is constantly under fire. The French aim men perform wonderful feats. We cannot get rid of them. As soon as an airman has flown over us, ten minutes later we get their shrapnel in our position. We have little artillery in our corps; without it we cannot get forward.

"Three days ago our division took possession of these heights and dug itself in. Two days ago, early in the morning, we were attacked by an immensely superior English force—one brigade and two battalions—and were turned out of our positions. The fellows took five guns from us. It was a tremendous hand-to-hand fight.

"How I escaped myself I am not clear. I then had to bring up support on foot. My horse was wounded and the others were too far in the rear. Then came up the Guard Jäger Battalion, Fourth Wager, Sixth Regiment, Reserve Regiment, Thirteen and Landwehr Regiments, Thirteen and Sixteen and with the help of the artillery, we drove the fellows out of the position again. Our machine guns did excellent work; the English fell in heaps.

"In our battalion three Iron Crosses have been given, one to C—, O—, one to Captain —, and one to Surgeon —, (names probably deleted). Let us hope that we shall be the lucky ones the next time.

Short of Food
"During the first two days of the battle I had only one piece of bread and no water. I spent the night in the rain without my great coat. The rest of my kit was on the horses which have been left miles behind with the baggage and which cannot come up into the battle because as soon as you put your nose up from behind cover, the bullets whistle.
"War is terrible. We are all hoping that a decisive battle will end the war, as our troops already have got round Paris. If we beat the English, the French resistance will soon be broken. Russia will be very quickly dealt with; of this there is no doubt.

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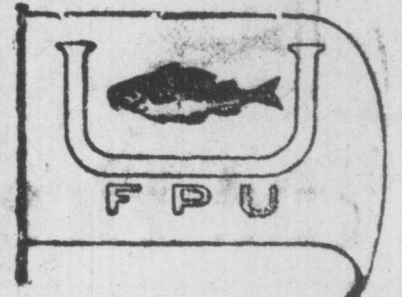
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OUR POINT OF VIEW

The Australian Election

IN the early part of this month Australia fought out once more the question whether the Labor Party was to control the Commonwealth or whether a combination of parties led by the Liberal Leader was to rule. The result was a sweeping victory for the Labor Party and once more Mr. Fisher won.

About a year ago general elections were held in Australia and the Labor Party lost in the Lower House by one or two votes while it captured the Senate by a large majority.

The direct cause of the recent elections was the rejection by the Senate (controlled by the Labor Party) of a Government measure which aimed to prohibit preference to casual labor unionists employees in the Government service.

The past Labor Government had passed a law, giving preference to Labor Unionists when giving out Government contracts and Mr. Cook, the Liberal Premier, now sought to repeal that law. The measure passed the Lower House by a very small majority and was rejected by the Senate. Mr. Cook thinking he now had an opportunity to strengthen himself against the Labor Party and place his Government on a more secure footing at once took offence and both Houses were dissolved.

The result was a grand victory for the Labor Party. One year of old party system rule was enough for Australia and the Liberals after one year in power went out of office. There is no Tory Party now in Australia. They combined about five years ago with the Liberal Party in order to fight the Labor Party, and Mr. Fisher beat the combination badly.

Both leaders are self-made men. Both began life as trade unionists.

The issues fought out before the electorate during the recent campaign in Australia include anti-trust legislation, tariff reform, a constitutional amendment to provide a national referendum as a substitute for dissolution of parliament under such circumstances as prevailed prior to the recent elections, and federal provision for treating cancer and consumption.

This will be Mr. Fisher's second term as Premier of Australia and it is an inspiration to the toiling masses everywhere to co-operate and govern their countries.

In Newfoundland the F.P.U. has the same object and what has proven so beneficial to the Australians ought to benefit Newfoundland.

At the next general elections the F.P.U. will place candidates in most of the districts, and while all the candidates will not necessarily belong to the Union, they will stand as Union candidates, and the country will be asked to uphold the Union policy and see what it can do to uplift Newfoundland.

The situation presented since the war opened has greatly strengthened the feeling for a Union Government that will stand by the toilers and make it impossible for the few to do as they like, which the past two months have proven them so capable of doing.

There is no doubt whatever of the fact that Water Street more than ever controls the affairs of the Colony under the Morris Party. There is not the slightest doubt of the fact that since the war broke out, the common toilers' interests have not been considered by the Government. The Premier has shown that he is determined to carry out what is proposed and endorsed by Water Street irrespective of the consequences to the common fisherman or workman.

A greater demand than ever exists today for a Union Government. The people are done with past conditions and all faith in securing a square deal from a party controlled by Water Street or a clique at St. John's has now died out amongst the outport men. The savage raid upon the pockets of the poor in the matter of prices for provisions and the prices offered for fishery produce has about finished the fishermen's devotion to St. John's rule.

Every effort has been made by

Water Street to bring about the ruin of the Trading Company since the war opened and they have gone about daily with a grin on their faces that showed they believed they would accomplish their sweet will.

On Saturday one of the dirtiest and most contemptible pieces of business transacted on Water Street for many years was attempted in order to embarrass the Trading Co. which failed completely, as will all such attempts, and this dirty piece of work did not come from those who professed antagonism to the Union but from those who under every principle of fairness should have been its staunchest friends. The result will teach the fishermen that they must trust only themselves and never be deceived by the outward show of pretentious friendship from men that travel the higher walks of life.

This base endeavor to smash the Trading Co. which resulted in the total discomfiture of the attackers and a complete triumph for Coaker, will be revealed in our own good time and when it comes there will be a shaking up of dry bones in St. John's that will rattle for 20 years to come. We will show the snobs along Water Street what they are up against when they attempt to smash the Trading Co. and destroy a \$150,000 investment of 1700 fishermen.

The triumph of Fisher three weeks ago is but a foretaste of the triumph of Coaker on behalf of the toiling masses of Newfoundland when the next big political battle is fought.

Any man who thinks he can administer a blow to the 25,000 fishermen composing the F.P.U., without receiving back 10,000 per cent. interest, can only be a swollen headed piece of business conceit that does not know where he is until confronted by a stone wall.

"For Coast Defence"

THE many folk who have been so very much puzzled by the "masterly inactivity" of the much-vaunted German fleet will be delighted to hear that there is an official "explanation" therefor even though that "explanation" be remarkable for nothing but its inconclusiveness.

Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador at Washington, evidently acting on the idea that his international auditors are all innocents or figuring that the memory of the peoples of the world is an extremely short one, makes the statement that the German fleet was solely intended "for coast defence."

The Count had better tell that to "the marines."

None of us have forgotten the well-known toast "The Day," so frequently drunk on board German warships, and now that "The Day" has arrived the German ships scurry ignominiously to the shelter of Heligoland fortress and persistently refuse to come out and prove their prowess on the high seas.

Discussing the German and British fleets The Scientific American, a journal of world-wide repute, referring particularly to the Heligoland fight, has this to say:

"The object of the British movement was to get the German fleet to do a little fighting. A month of the war has passed by; and it cannot be said that the activities of their ships have been of a character to shed any peculiar lustre upon the naval forces of Germany. The principal achievements of the fleet have consisted, in spite of the Hague convention, in strewing some of the most frequented highways of peaceful commerce with floating mines of a forbidden type; indeed the triumphs of the German navy, thus far, have consisted more than anything else in the sinking, by mines, merchant ships of all nations, steaming peacefully, on the regular trade routes of the merchant service."

"The world has heard so much about the surpassing qualities of the German torpedo service, that we cannot but feel there must have been a growing wonderment in the British blockading fleet that the Germans should not have scorned to remain supreme under the fortifications of Heligoland and Cuxhaven, but rather should have preferred to assist their hard-fighting army by venturing forth in an effort to stop the transportation of a British army to the continent."

"Whatever the predisposing cause, we know that the British determined to trail a red herring, if we may be pardoned the use of a term so unnautical, across the front of the blockaded German fleet. Hence, the dash of the Arcthusa and Fearless with a fleet of destroyers past the guns of Heligoland.

"The bait was too tempting not to be swallowed, and several German cruisers with a flotilla of destroyers dashed out to seize so easy a prey. The British, spooling for a fight, did not hesitate to give battle against superior numbers, and for twenty-five minutes the two cruisers and the destroyers fought, under odds as great as those against which a few days before, the British held the Germans at bay for four days and remained unbroken in the north of France. Following their plan of operations, the British drew away to the open and



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WORLD'S PRESS ON THE BIG WAR

A DELUSION.

New York Tribune:—"So far as the present war is concerned, the cry of Teuton against Slav is a delusion. Neither can the claim that Germany is fighting for western against eastern European civilization be conceded."

WHAT IS COMING TO HIM.

New York Press:—"English persistence and French dash together have given the German War Lord a set back. He has had a taste in the last few days of what is coming to him even more completely at some future time. He will learn then that his military arm is just as much of a broken reed as his diplomatic arm already has proved itself to be."

KEEPING THE OCEAN HIGHWAY.

London Observer:—"If Admiral Mahan revises his famous 'Influence of Sea Power on History,' at the end of the war, he will have a very notable chapter to add to it. He will have to tell how the Ocean Empire retained for herself and conferred on her Allies a freedom of strategic initiative without parallel in war. There is a sublime audacity—almost insolence—in the way in which it is assumed as part of an assured plan that Indian troops are on their way to the front and that a hundred thousand Canadians, Australians, and New Zealanders will shortly be brought across thousands of miles of sea."

FOR THE WORLD TO SEE.

Pall Mall Gazette:—"We have pictured to ourselves that other great Christian nation, spreading its hands in supplication before the same God that we worship, praying for his blessing upon their arms, and confident as we are in the justice of our cause, we have been content to say, 'Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?' But we see the warfare for which the Spirit of God is claimed being fought with the weapons of the Devil.

"By sea and land the gospel of ruthless force prevails, directed not only against combatants, but against the neutral and the weak and the helpless. We hold up the picture for the world to see—to the great Republic of the West, to Italy, to the millions who follow not the name of Christ, and we ask them, by the conscience which is in all mankind, to judge our cause and that of our foe."

NOT IN AMERICA.

New York World:—"Who would conceive of an American army's officers murdering women and mangled children by bombs hurled from an airship at night into a sleeping city? Who could imagine American soldiers raising death from the sky upon unsuspecting and helpless non-combatants and upon wounded prisoners in hospitals flying the Red Cross flag? Who could picture American Admirals ruthlessly sowing the deep with mines to destroy ships and sailors of neutral nations engaged in the pursuits of peaceful commerce? Who could think of American troops grimly engaged in shooting down disarmed peasants who had tried to defend their little possessions?"

"To these points queried anyone knowing this country might well reply, 'It is all unthinkable.' Na American officer who did what Germans have done at Antwerp, who did what Germans have done in the North Sea, who did what Germans have done in Belgium, could withstand for a single day the avalanche of American criticism. His own people would instantly repudiate him as a barbarian, and no excuse of military advantage over the enemy would be accepted or tolerated."

USEFUL GIFTS FOR SOLDIERS

English Paper Tells Contributors What to Send to the Men at the Front

Numerous inquiries having been made as to what articles would be useful to soldiers serving with the Expeditionary Force, the following list has been prepared at the War Office for the information of their relatives and friends, says The London Daily Mail.

Handkerchiefs, bootlaces, newspapers and periodicals, chocolates, peppermint, dried fruits, briar pipes and tobacco pouches, tobacco (packed in thick tinfoil if possible), cigarettes, cigarette papers and cigarette tobacco, small tins of boracic ointment or borated vaseline for sore feet, antiseptic powder, pocket-knives, postcards, and lead pencils.

Unnecessary Articles

It is unnecessary to send shirts, socks, and underclothing, as there are ample reserves of these and all other articles of clothing at the base, where they can be obtained by the troops as previously stated, wines and spirits should not be sent, neither should fresh fruit or vegetables, or matches. Regulations for sending parcels to the Expeditionary Force have already been issued, and special labels are obtainable on application to the War Office. Parcels should be very securely packed.

Practical Methods.

Practical and businesslike methods are necessary in dealing with the question of Red Cross needwork. On this topic Sir George Pragnell, who, as reported in The Daily Mail on Thursday, declared at a meeting of the City District Committee that "people are needwork mad," said yesterday:

"The action of women of small means in spending their time making useful articles for our sick and wounded is splendid, provided the garments are made of suitable materials and suitable shapes. The latest patterns (revised and enlarged) are now obtainable from the British Red Cross Society.

Preventing Unemployment.
"But rich people can spend their money and time just now in a much better way than by making garments very slowly and indifferently. There are huge stocks of suitable articles which can be purchased in the usual way from the tradesman, or can be ordered from the latter and made (perfectly and in large quantities) in twenty-four hours."

"By purchasing the article as I have indicated unemployment will be prevented in the retail trade, the wholesale trade, and (to a still greater extent) in the factories where work depends upon the business being kept up. "The greatest question of all is in the suggestion that the relief funds should be drawn on for starting charitable or State-aided workrooms all over the country, and mainly for women and girls whose previous experience was gained in other directions. Apart from the disposal of the things thus made interfering with legitimate trades which are already suffering from the war, this proposal if carried out will have the effect of throwing out of employment an enormous number of factory hands."

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(Continued from page 3.)
"We received splendid help from the Austrian heavy artillery at Maubeuge. They bombarded Fort Cerfontaine in such a way that there was not ten metres of parapet which did not show enormous craters made by the shells.

"Yesterday evening, about six, in the valley in which our reserves stood there was such a terrible cannonade that we saw nothing of the sky but a cloud of smoke."

Two Airmen Escape
"Amongst the items of news are the following: Recently a pilot and observer of the Royal Flying Corps were forced by breakage in their aeroplane to descend in the enemy's lines. The pilot managed to pancake his machine down to earth and the two escaped into some thick undergrowth. The enemy came up and seized and smashed the machine but did not search for our men with much zeal. The latter lay hidden till dark and then found their way to the Aisne across which they swam, reaching camp in safety, but barefooted.

"Numerous floating bridges have by now been thrown across the Aisne and some of the permanent bridges had been repaired under fire. On the twentieth, Lieut. (name deleted) of the Third Signal Corps, Royal Engineers, was unfortunately drowned while attempting to swim across the river, with a cable, in order to open fresh telegraphic communication on the north side.

Found Underground 'Phone
"Espionage is still carried on by the enemy to a considerable extent. Recently suspicions of some of the French troops were aroused by coming across a farm from which the horses had been removed. After some search they discovered a telephone, which was connected by an underground cable with the German lines, and the owner of the farm paid the penalty in the usual way in war for his treachery.

"After some cases of village fighting, which occurred earlier in the war, it was reported by some of our officers that the Germans had attempted to approach to close quarters by forcing prisoners to march in front of them. The Germans have recently repeated the same trick on a larger scale against the French, as is shown by the copy of an order printed below:

"During a recent night attack," (the order reads), "the Germans drove a column of French prisoners in front of them. This action is to be brought to the notice of all our troops (1) in order to put them on guard against such dastardly ruse, (2) in order that every soldier may know how the Germans treat their prisoners. Our troops must not forget that if they allow themselves to be taken prisoners, the Germans will not fail to expose them to French bullets.

"(Signature of commander.)
Missed White Flag

"Further evidence has now been collected of the misuse of the white flag and other signs of surrender. During an action on the seventeenth owing to this, one officer was shot. During recent fighting also some ambulance waggons advanced in order to collect the wounded. An order to cease fire was consequently given to our guns, which were firing on this particular section of ground. The German battery commanders at once took advantage of the lull in the action to climb up their observation ladders and on to a haystack to locate our guns, which soon afterwards came under a far more accurate fire than any to which they had been subjected up to that time.

"A British officer who was captured by the Germans and has since escaped, reports that while a prisoner he saw men who had been fighting subsequently put on Red Cross service.

"That irregular use of the protection afforded by the Geneva Convention is not uncommon is confirmed by the fact that on one occasion men in the uniform of combatant units have been captured wearing a Red Cross brassard, hastily slipped over the arms. The excuse given has been detailed after the fight to look after the wounded.

"It is reported by a cavalry officer that the driver of a motor car with a machine gun mounted on it, which was captured, was wearing a Red Cross.

An Act of Vandalism
"Full details of the actual damage done to the Cathedral at Rheims will doubtless have been cabled home, so that no description of it is necessary. The Germans bombarded the Cathedral twice with their heavy artillery.

"One reason it caught alight so quickly was that on one side of it was some scaffolding which had been erected for restoration work. Straw

**SOLDIERS DRANK
POISONED WATER
FOUGHT GERMANS
WITH THE WATERS**

British Private Tells of Narrow Escape His Regiment Had After Mons Fight

Private G. Moody, writing from Bristol Royal Infirmary to his parents says:

I was at Mons in the trenches in the firing-line for twenty-four hours and my regiment was ordered to help the French on the right. Poor old A Company was left to occupy the trenches and to hold them: whatever might happen, they were not to leave them.

There were about 250 of us, and the Germans came on, and as fast as we knocked them over more took their places.

Well, out of 250 men only eighty were left, and we had to surrender. They took away everything, and we were lined up to be shot, so as to be no trouble to them. Then the cavalry of the French made a charge, and the Germans were cut down like grass.

We got away, and wondered about all night, never knowing if we were walking into our chaps or the Germans. After walking about some time we commenced falling down through drinking water that had been poisoned, and then we were put into some motor-waggons and taken to Amiens.

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had also been laid on the floor for the reception of German wounded. It is to the credit of the French that practically all the German wounded were successfully extricated from the burning building.

"There was no justification on military grounds for this act of vandalism, which seems to have been caused by exasperation born of failure—a sign of impotence rather than of strength. It is noteworthy that a well known hotel not far from the Cathedral, which was kept by a German, was not touched."

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Men Have Made Good Showing and Meet Practical Sympathy

The Patriotic Association met last night and in spite of the disagreeable weather there was a large attendance.

Mr. F. J. Morris reported for the Nominating Committee that forty-five branches with over 300 members had been formed in various parts of the Colony.

The Recruiting Committee, through Mr. Montgomerie, reported an enrollment of 970 men, 565 being in camp. Recruiting ceased last Saturday.

Many Instructed

Mr. W. H. Rennie of the Musketry Committee, reported that ten parties of recruits, 468 men had received rifle instruction at the Southside range. The weather was poor, but results were good.

Mr. F. J. Morris reported for the Nominating Committee that forty-five branches with over 300 members had been formed in various parts of the Colony.

Mr. A. J. Harvey reported that the Transport Committee had not made definite plans. The Governor asked that no undue publicity be given the movements of the troops.

GERMAN PEOPLE CRUELLY MISLED BY AUTHORITIES

Amazing State of Ignorance As To Cause and Objects Of War

HOW TO ENLIGHTEN THE IGNORANT

Suggestion That Literature Should be Dropped From the Clouds

"Private letters received in Canada from Germany indicate an amazing state of ignorance on the part of the people of the German Empire in regard to the causes and objects of the present war," says the Berlin, Ontario, Telegraph in an editorial headed "In Behalf of the German People."

"According to these letters the people of Germany believe they have been attacked and that they are fighting for their national life against a combination of powers seeking to roll them off it. All the news is so closely censored that it is impossible to get reliable news regarding the war, and people are kept under the impression that the German arms are successful on land and sea."

How to Let Them Know

"In order to dispel this state of ignorance a German-Canadian citizen suggests that literature in the German language be prepared by the allies, setting out the real causes of the war, and its progress to date, and that aeroplanes be used to flood Germany with it, by dropping it from the clouds. It is believed when the people of Germany once learn that the real aggressors in the present conflict have been their own war lords, headed by the Kaiser, and that it is not the purpose of the allies to crush the German people, with whom they have no quarrel, but to crush the powerful military machine the Kaiser has built up and which has become a menace to civilization, their spirit may be aroused against their rulers, if this could be accomplished, the German people themselves might prove as powerful a factor for peace as the allied armies and assist them in removing the system that has betrayed them. If this literature could be given the stamp of authority by the heads of the various Governments of the allied nations, it should be doubly effective in removing the veil now obscuring the truth concerning the war from the people of Germany."

What Neutral Nations Think

"In the same way the people of Germany might be furnished with extracts from the press of the United States and other neutral nations to show that in the present struggle the Kaiser has alienated the sympathy and support of the civilized world. "The suggestion appears to be worthy the serious consideration of the Canadian Government, which might transmit the suggestion to the Imperial authorities for action. Or is this a service for the German people and in behalf of civilization, which Canada might undertake. It would doubtless be appreciated particularly by hundreds of thousands of German-Canadians in this country who are loyal to the British Crown, but whose sympathies must go out for their kinsmen still under the German military yoke."

46 WARSHIPS HAVE BEEN LOST SINCE AUGUST

France is the Only Nation That Has Not Suffered Naval Losses

GERMAN LOSS 25, BRITISH THIRTEEN

Many of the Lost Ships of the Nations Were Auxiliary Cruisers

New York, Sept. 24.—Forty-six warships have either been destroyed, badly damaged or otherwise lost to the European powers since the war began.

Those are the known losses as reported in the belligerent countries. The sinking of the German surveying ship Mowe by the British cruiser Pegasus, announced in London, without a date, suggests that other warship disasters may be concealed.

The naval casualties show that France alone of the great powers, has not suffered at sea. The losses of the other countries are:

Table with 2 columns: Nation, Ships. Germany 25, Great Britain 13, Austria 5, Russia 2, Japan 1.

The list follows: August 3.—German-Russian engagement off Aland Islands, two ships lost. August 5.—German mine-layer Konig Luise sunk by British torpedo boat Lance in North Sea. August 6.—German torpedo boat sunk off Gedser Light by boiler explosion.

August 6.—British cruiser Amphion sunk in North Sea by mine. August 9.—German submarine sunk by British cruisers in North Sea. August 13.—German cruisers Goeben and Breslau sold to Turkey to escape capture.

August 16.—Austrian battleship Zrinyi and three other Austrian warships sunk in the Adriatic by French fleet. August 16.—Unnamed German dreadnought reported ashore and out of action at Trondhjem, Norway. August 27.—German cruiser Magdenburg ashore in Gulf of Finland, attacked by Russian warships and blown up.

August 27.—German converted commerce destroyer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse sunk by British cruiser Highflyer off west coast of Africa. August 28.—Two German cruisers and two destroyers sunk in night engagement off Heligoland. Another German cruiser set afire, and several German destroyers damaged. British cruiser Amethyst and destroyer Laertes damaged.

August 31.—Japanese destroyer Shirayama went ashore off Tsingtau and demolished by German gunboat Jaguar. September 4.—Seven German destroyers arrived at Kiel badly damaged, believed in fight week ago off Heligoland. Understood they afterwards sank in vicinity of Kiel Canal. September 4.—British torpedo gunboat Speedy sunk by mine in North Sea. September 6.—British light cruiser Pathfinder sunk by German submarine in North Sea.—246 lives lost. Sept. 7.—British cruiser Warrior reported stranded in Mediterranean after fight with a German cruiser. September 8.—British converted cruiser Oceanic wrecked off north coast of Scotland—all of crew saved. September 12.—German light cruiser Hela sunk by British submarine—two casualties. September 17.—British training ship Fishguard III, foundered in a gale in the English Channel. Twenty-one drowned. September 18.—German converted cruiser, supposedly Cap Trafalgar or Berlin, sunk by British converted cruiser Carmania off east coast of S. America. September 19.—Austrian dreadnought Viribus Unitis reported damaged in Adriatic. September 19.—Austrian submarine A. E. 1 sunk. No details. September 20.—British light cruiser Pegasus caught in Zanibar Harbor overhauling machinery and completely disabled by German cruiser Koenigsberg. British loss 25 killed, 80 wounded. Date unknown.—German armed surveying ship Mowe sunk by British cruiser Pegasus. September 22.—British cruisers Aboukir, Cressy and Hogue, sunk by German submarine in the North Sea. September 23.—German cruiser and two German torpedo boats sunk by Russian cruiser Bayan in the Baltic Sea.

DEATH BEFORE SURRENDER

Gallant Action of French Officer Whose Command Was Annihilated in Battle

Angouleme, via Bordeaux, Sept. 23.—The family of Major C. Dupont, of the artillery, has received news of his heroic death in a recent action. With a regiment of seven hundred men he received orders to take a position in a meadow, near a town. There was a dense fog at the time, through which ominous rumblings were heard, but Major Dupont's instructions were urgent.

All his men stood at their posts waiting. Suddenly the fog lifted, and revealed a company of German quick firers within 1,500 yards of the French position. In a few seconds all, except two officers and thirty men, had fallen before the storm of shot. Major Dupont was among those unscathed. The German captain approached him, and asked for his surrender. Major Dupont declined to give it, and sprang to a gun beside which his gunners lay, and trained it upon the enemy. But before he could fire, a bullet stretched him across the gun, mortally wounded.

Is On the Mend

Mr. James Wallace, Livingstone St., master cooper at Job Bros., who has been confined to his home for the past three months suffering from pleurisy, is now able to get out and soon will be himself again.

Taken Ill in Church

Mr. Edward Murphy, of William St., was on Saturday morning last, while attending 8 o'clock mass at the R.C. Cathedral, taken suddenly ill. We are glad to state that he is almost O. K. again.

Assaulted a Bailiff

James Wills of the Battery was before Judge Knight today, charged with assaulting James Roil, bailiff at the Supreme Court, and also with violently resisting arrest. He was remanded for eight days.

Charged With Theft

Herbert Wiltshire, a 43 year old laborer of Heart's Delight, was arrested yesterday charged with having stolen a pair of boots valued at \$3.00 from a chum at the Salvation Army Restaurant. He was remanded for a week.

Ready To Sail

Fogota is ready to sail for Change Islands and is waiting favorable time. The following passengers leave by her:—Mrs. Purchase, Miss M. Budden, Miss E. Gibbons, Mr. Luscombe, Mr. Martin and 15 steerage. Fortia arrived at Marystown at 6.30 p.m. yesterday. There is no word of her today. The telegraph lines north are interrupted today and there is no word of the Prospero.

KNOW HE CAN'T MAKE DEFENCE

Austrians Blame Dead Officer For Selling Their Plans to the Russians

Vienna, Sept. 21, via Paris.—The belief is growing in official circles here that the Austrian reverses in Galicia were, to a large extent, brought about by exact knowledge held by the Russian War Office of Austria's mobilization and campaign plans, which had been secured through an elaborate system of espionage. The military authorities, it is claimed, two years ago, discovered that Col. Alfred Redl, chief of the general staff of the English Austrian Army Corps, had betrayed information of vital importance to Russia, and although it is thought probable the Austrian general staff later made changes in their plans, the military experts are of the belief that the modifications would not have greatly affected the general basis of the campaign as worked out. Col. Redl was found guilty of being a traitor, and on the advice of brother officers committed suicide. The Austrian official reports continue to give only scant detail of fresh fighting in Galicia. There is a constant flow of Polish refugees into Vienna. Several trainloads of them arrived here Saturday, and more are reported on their way. The municipal authorities are experiencing great difficulty in finding accommodation for the large number of destitute, who already aggregate 100,000.

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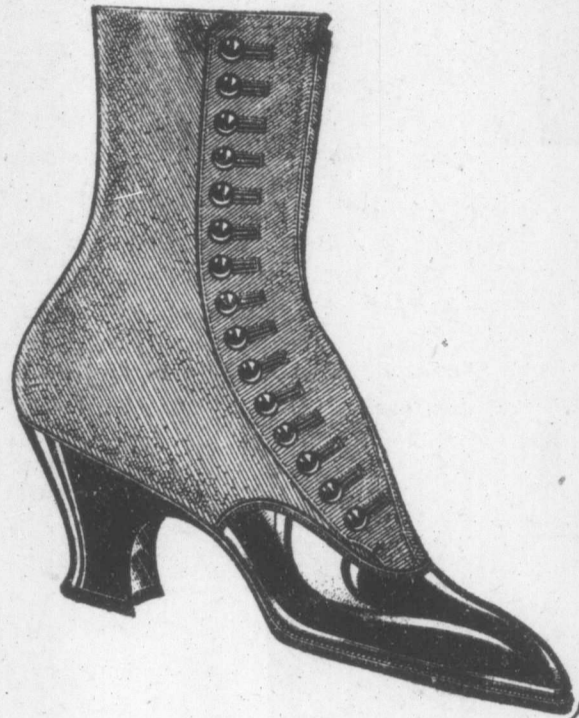
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TO THE EDITOR

Much Indignation

(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Sir,—Much indignation has arisen among our people against the Graball gang who are trying in every possible way to grind the poor fishermen to depths of poverty and want. They want the rule of 50 years ago but mark you that day is done and now our aim and ambition is "to every man his own." Worst weather for season, from Sept. 14th till Sept. 20th, blowing a strong breeze every day from North to East, hampering in every possible way the catching and curing of fish. Since the breeze our fishermen have been on all the best fishing grounds and find fish scarce, indeed we presume the voyage is high being ended. Whether or whither would we be tending but for the God-sent man W. F. Coaker in those days of peril and war, every action and word of his is an object lesson to one and all. Union and non-union, all are governed and dictated by him; firm and unflinching will we stand by Coaker, "come what may." —LOVER OF RIGHT, Joe Batt's Arm.

Well-Handled

(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Sir,—Allow me space in your valuable paper to congratulate you upon the able way you have dealt with "Indignant Woman." She certainly deserved all she got and to my mind a great deal more. The idea of somebody in petticoats talking about credit and the price of fish prevailing in this country. Why, it's about time this "Indignant Woman" took a back seat or otherwise joined the Suffragettes movement. The Union can certainly get along without their assistance of this so-called know-all and what is worse wouldn't be guilty of taking any aid from such a source. What does she know about things prevailing in the different outports? What is still more, she knows very little about the poor of St. John's. If she is so awfully anxious to do something let her get busy and try and help the poor people who through

TRIED TO SHOOT BELGIAN KING

Remarkable Story of the Foiled Treachery of a Chauffeur and of Just Retribution

Paris, Sept. 22.—Progres Du Nord today relates a remarkable story of the King of the Belgians shooting his chauffeur who traitorously attempted to drive him into the German lines. The King was with his troops south of Antwerp, says the report. He ordered the chauffeur to drive ahead of them. After a while the King noticed the driver had changed the direction. His Majesty warned him and when the chauffeur took no notice he ordered him to halt. This having no effect, the King convinced of treachery, drew a revolver and shot the chauffeur dead. The King then stopped the car and drove back to the Belgian lines in safety. In the chauffeur's clothing papers were found showing he had received a German offer of \$250,000 for the King's capture.

Major Harry Shea Goes To The Front

Major Harry Shea, son of Doctor H. Shea, who was with the Royal Engineers in Egypt left the latter place for England on August 20th, according to a letter received and is now believed to be at the front with his regiment.

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no fault of their own are now out of employment in the city. The clergyman who so willingly offered to assist in anyway is well aware of the existing conditions at the capital. The revd. gentleman has certainly proven that he is looking after the interest of the poor and we only wish that he had a great many more of his make up. I trust that "Indignant Woman" will in the future mind her own business or otherwise come out under her own signature, so that we may be in a position to deal more fully with her. FISHERMAN. Bay de Verde, Sept. 25, '14.

Brig. Morehen's Lecture

Brigadier Morehen will deliver an illustrated lecture this evening at the S.A. Citadel, New Gower Street, on the Salvation Army International Congress conducted in London this year. Seventy-five beautifully colored slides will be shown comprising march through London to Hyde Park, groups of delegates from other lands, march past at the Crystal Palace, forty thousand strong. This will be a very interesting meeting, don't fail to be on hand, to take in all that is to be seen and heard.

MISS BEATRICE SNOW resumes teaching in Piano-forte Playing, September 28. Address: 116 Pleasant Street. sep28,2i

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