Several Persons Injured and Police Station Wrecked in Anti-Conscription Riot in Quebec City

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## TENPAGES

## BRITISH ARMY MAKES A STRONG STAND AGAINST GERMAN HOST

## NEW OFFENSVE BY GERMANS BEGINNiNG OF SECOND STAGE OF THE BATTLE OF PICARDY

After Violently Bombarding British Line the Huns Launch Great Infantry Attack Towards Arras, But Are Held Back-British Hold Tenaciously Strong Natural Defenses Running from Arras to Albert-Germans Have 2,000,000 Soldiers En aged.
day
Teutons Capture Montdidier, Fifteen Miles from Amiens-Although Allied Line Bulges Dangerously Southwest of Amiens, Enemy is Still Far from Winning Strategic Success - Quarter of Million Austrian Troops in France.

- Special cable to The N. Y. Tribune and St. John Standard. A. (By Arthur S: Draper). lay, the Germans have begun a new attack in the Arras sector widening their battle front by another ten miles. A violent bor-
bardment of the British line, which runs some six miles east of this battered French city, preceded the infantry attack. Three are three reasons for a drive in this quarter: first the Arras second the main enemy attack has been checked in the Albert sector and he can hope for little progress until the artillery have withdrawn their troops from the Arras sector to support Cough's army.
The new offensive which opened the eighth day of the battle of Picardy must be considered as definitely marking the second
stage of the colossal struggle in which approximately
$2,000,000$ soldiers are engaged. The Germans won a considerable success against the Allies during the night, capturing Montdidier, eleven By masoing huge forces at the junction of the allied armies the Germans have borne them back so that the French are now occupying the heights to the westward of this ancient town. This necessitates a to the Amiens-Paris line. (Continued on page 2)


## The French Troops Drive Back Enemy

On Front from Lassigny to Noon Petain's Men Hurl Back Hun Hordes Over Line About Ten Kilometres Long to Depth of Two Kilometres, Capturing Three Villages.


The British Forces Beat Off the Germans With Heavy Losses, Says Haig

London, Mars, 28 -After an all -day battle north and south of the Somme, with Arran an the chief contuse, the Brit isth forces have beeton of the Germane, with heavy loves to hight emmy, according to the report from
"Heavy fishing occurred during the day along the Arras, a battle front of some fifty-five miles.
"This morning, after an intense artillery bombardment and ck in greet strength on a wide front south and north of the Scarper. At the same time a series of partial attiocko wat delivered by him along our line southward to the Somme.
"In the new sector of battle, coast of Arras, the enemy weeceded in forcing hoo way through our outpost line and hard fighting hes been processing all day in our battle positions. Hew to dim.
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## Canadians Engaged In

The Battle of Picardy
Sir Robert Borden Receives Cable to That Effect -Enemy Cross the Somme and British Fall Back Towards Hamel-In Other Sections Mritish Victorious-Line Unbroken North of the Somme.


## NEW BRUNSWICK POWER CO. BILL IN LEGISLATURE

Measure Introduced by Mr. Finder Acting in Behalf of Mr. Dickson and Read First Time-lt Will Probably Find Its Way to Committee Next Week-Hon. Mr. Tweeddale Gets Peeved and Claims He is the Right Man in the Right Place.

## special to The Standard.

Fredericton, March 28.-The N. B. Power Company bill was introduced in the Legislature this afternoon by Mr. J. K inder of York, acting in behalf of Mr. H. V. Dickson Kings. The bill was read a first time and will probably find will be'conemmittee next week. It is expel ped the ure is returned for the consideration of the House.

There was an interesting few minutes at the expense of the Minister for Agriculture who, in the interim since Wednesday night had decided that the bill to change the method of electing directors of cheese and butter manufactur ing associations was really what he wanted. On Wednesday did not appear to be sure of it but today when he brought the bill in for the second time he told the House that decided that it would meet the purpose he had in mind. The bill was allowed to go through.

Mr. Baxter suggested that in future the time of the House might be saved if the Minister of Agriculture under sod his departmental bills before he brought them in for consideration.

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Allied World Anxiously Looking for News of Suecess of French Thrust into Flank of the German Forces-French Success Would Cut Off Tentons Fighting at Very Tip of "Ploughshare"Berlin Admits Heavy Loses - Americans Are Fighting.








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## Another Sector of the Front Added to North End of New Battle Line When Germans Attacked Heavily on Both Sides of the Scarpe Towards Arras-Intense Fighting from Gavrelle on the North, to Boyelles, Below River, the Germans Pushing Forward Somewhat in Face of Desperate Resistance.

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