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LIUT.-COL. O. ALBRECHTSEN, O. C. of the 223rd Battalion, Second Scandinavian.

had not been paid to any civil servant who enlisted for action in the war.

Mr. MacLean continued that substantial reductions might have been made in the staff of the fisheries service without injury to the industry.

Mr. MacLean stated that despite the postmaster-general's denial he wished to repeat that the mail contract system by tender had been practically abandoned by the present administration.

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The Semi-Weekly Telegraph and The News

British More Than Recoup Losses at St. Eloi; French on New Line Resist Desperate Attacks

FRENCH MEET ATTACK OF FRESH DIVISIONS; BRITISH COME BACK Craters Recaptured at St. Eloi, Where Canadians Are, and Connecting Trenches Occupied

Exposed to Full Fury of French Guns, Huns Lose Heavily South of Forges Brook—Russians Score Minor Successes on Lower Strips While Advance in Caucasus is Extending to Diarbek.

Without pause the German Crown Prince, taking advantage of the evacuation of the Bethincourt salient by the French, and the occupation of that position by the Germans, has thrown several divisions against the new French line, but so far has been unable to break that line at any point.

The bombardment of the whole front west of the Meuse is of increasing intensity on both sides. German moving down along the Haucourt-Bethincourt line, attacked the French position south of the Forges brook.

The French front along the strategic sector extending from Le Mort Homme to Cumleers remained unmovable, and further attempts to assault were arrested by the French crater of fire.

The French still hold their positions in the Callette wood, which has been the scene of heavy fighting, and against which German attacks are being directed daily.

The last remaining mine crater taken recently by the Germans from the British at St. Eloi has been re-captured by King George's men, who also were able in their attack, to establish themselves in German trenches running south-west from the crater.

COMMISSION SUSTAINED BY SWEEPING MAJORITY

Gets More Votes and a Bigger Majority Than When It Was First Adopted—Fisher, McLellan, Sharp and Sugrue Survive the Primaries—Commissioner Potts' Defeat a Surprise to Many—The Line-up for Finals.

THE VOTE BY WARDS. Table with columns for Wards (Fisher, McLellan, Potts, Sharp, Sugrue, For Ward System) and various wards (Gaza, Brooks, Sydney, Dubois, Queens, Kings, Wellington, Prince, Victoria, Dufferin, Lansdowne, St. John, Stanley, Total).

The commission form of government has been sustained. By their votes yesterday the citizens decided that the modern form of government introduced four years ago has been a success.

GERMAN BARRICADES OF HUMAN DEAD FACE FIERY FRENCH SHELLS Enemy in Attack on Callette Wood Near Verdun Carry Forward Defences

French Charged With Cold Steel and Routed Defenders—On Another Part of Line French Cut Off German Retreat by Flame Throwing Apparatus—Many Lost Seeking Safety Behind Lines.

Its predecessor, averting the opposing lines and leaving death and destruction in its path, while under the curtain of this terrific fire the French forces leaped their parapets and dashed forward, scrambling over the fish-made barricades and after a short sharp struggle, the defenders were routed with great loss.

After twelve hours of intermittent bombardment of the French positions by heavy batteries behind the German lines of the gray masses of German infantry were seen swarming over the parapets of their trenches like angry hordes.

The dead were piled high on all sides, the front rank was laid low, and the flow of barbed material dropping off and finally ceasing from the rear those in front seized the bodies of their fallen comrades and piled them high in front of them.

ASQUITH'S CRUSHING REPLY TO SPEECH OF GERMAN CHANCELLOR

British Premier Tells What He Means by "Destruction of Military Domination of Prussia" War Will Make Possible "Settlement of International Problems by Free Negotiations on Equal Terms"—"We Are Not Defeated and We Are Not Going to be Defeated."

London, April 10, 10.35 p.m.—On the occasion of a government reception to visiting French senators and deputies at Lancaster House tonight, Premier Asquith took the opportunity to reply to the speech recently delivered in the Reichstag by the imperial German chancellor, Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg.

Retracting that the Allies were only prepared for peace on the terms of his declaration of November, 1914, Mr. Asquith proceeded: "The chancellor first inquires my language then proceeds to distort the obvious meaning and intention."

Responsibility is not denied. Definitely and finally by German in Sussex Incident—Note to be Delivered to U. S. Today

German Failure in Poland. Contending that the Poles had had an illuminating experience of the German idea of a free evolution of the kind Mr. Asquith has just described, the speaker said that the visit was a natural expression of the friendship binding the two nations, and that it gave concrete and practical form to the unity of their aims.

Two Merchantmen Fall Prey to War Devices. Washington, April 10.—The state department today was still without official information of Germany's disclaimer of responsibility.

Swedish Exchanging Prisoners. London, April 10.—The exchange of severely wounded Russian and German soldiers by way of Sweden was resumed today, after over a year's lapse in the practice, according to the Exchange Telegraph Company's Copenhagen correspondent.

April 10, 10.40 p.m.—The battle around Verdun is proceeding with unabated fury. To the west of the Meuse a bombardment of increasing intensity is reported in the French official communication issued tonight.

TENS FOR THE GOVERNMENT; A. J. H. WART HAS RESIGNED

A tensness in the political atmosphere here... It may be an ordinary case of it may be a government.

Watching the signs and endeavoring to steer centre. The acting premier and the attorney-general... There has been no consultation with this cabinet.

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WHY THE G. T. P. DOES NOT OPERATE THE N. J. R. FROM WINNIPEG TO MONCTON

Debate in House of Commons Brings Out Interesting Information About Transcontinental and Valley Railway—Hon. Mr. Pugsley Shows How Justice Should be Done in Relation to St. John and Other Ports.

In the house of commons on April 5 when the railway estimates were under discussion, Hon. Mr. Reid, acting minister of railways, said the Grand Trunk Pacific was pressed hard by the government to take over the Transcontinental railway system between Winnipeg and Moncton.

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different of opinion between members on this side and members on the other side on this question. The hon. member complains that we did not operate the road at an earlier date. I have already stated, however, that we had not the equipment to operate from Cochrane to Moncton.

Mr. Pugsley—This is for construction: Intercolonial, Transcontinental, Canadian Pacific, \$1,600,000. Mr. Reid—The Intercolonial railway was built fifty or sixty years ago, and the Transcontinental was built in the last few years.

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CANADA'S NATIONAL DEBT OVER HALF A BILLION

War Expenditure Nearly \$1,000,000 a Day—Last Year's Revenue Better Than Estimated—Chief Increase in Customs Receipts.

Ottawa, April 8.—The financial statement of the dominion for the month of March and for the fiscal year ending with March 31, 1916, has been published. The total revenue for the month of March was \$11,800,000, or 10 per cent more than the estimate.

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SPRING BLOOD IS WATERY BLOOD

How to Get New Health and New Strength at This Season.

Spring ailments are not imaginary. Even the most robust find the winter months most trying to their health. Confinement indoors, often in overheated and nearly always badly ventilated rooms—in the home, the office, the shop and the school—takes the vitality of even the strongest. The blood becomes thin and watery and is clogged with impurities.

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TELLS OF LIFE IN TRENCHES.

Newcastle, April 9.—At the Salvation Army last night, Rev. Dr. Harrison presiding, Private Wm. Ashford, Jr., a disabled member of the First Contingent, lectured on Life in the Trenches.

ALBERT PERSONALS

Albert, N. B., April 6.—Miss Ethel Stevens, of Hillsboro, is visiting Miss Lillian Barbour.

MAN WAS DROWNED

Amnapolis, N. S., April 7.—(Special)—William Satter, son of the late Hon. William Satter, of this town, who has recently been employed by C. W. Mills at Kegonsook, Lake Umbagog, Queens County, was working on the ice, broke through and was drowned.

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