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FIGHTING HINDERED BY BAD WEATHER

Austro-Germans Claim to have Occupied Scutari and that they were Received in Friendly Spirit by Montenegrins. A Third German Air Raid Attempted without Damage. British Bombard Several German Positions Doing Much Damage. More Successes in Egypt

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, Jan. 24.—In their progress southward across the Albanian frontier the Austrians have taken Albania's principal trade city, Scutari, and in addition have occupied Podgoritz, Dalmatians and Niksic in Montenegro. The Serbians forming the garrison at Scutari retreated southward without resistance. The Austrian official communication reasserts that the Montenegrins are laying down their arms and the populations in the towns occupied are receiving the invaders in a friendly manner. Air raids by aviators on both sides have taken place in various localities. The Germans again have passed over Dover in an aeroplane, which was engaged by all the anti-aircraft guns and pursued by British airmen. Whether bombs were dropped is not stated. This was the third venture of the kind in two days. In the other visits bombs having been dropped on docks, barracks and station at Dover and on aviation sheds at Hougham, near Dover, according to Berlin. Monastir, Gieveloff and other points held by the Teutonic allies near the Greek border were visited by a larger French air squadron and bombarded, while Metz and German positions in Belgium were also visited by Entente Allied aircraft and bombed.

enced German trench mortars by artillery fire near Ypres. Floods and bad weather hamper the operations of the British against the Turks in Mesopotamia. High water in the Tigris is preventing troops from moving. During a lull in the fighting an armistice was declared for the burial of the dead. In north-west Egypt the British have been successful in their attack upon the German positions and the camp being dispersed and the camp destroyed. The Military Service Bill has passed its third reading by a vote of 383 to 36. It has been sent to the House of Lords, who are expected to pass the measure quickly. Amendments to the original bill as adopted are said to have gone far towards conciliating those who previously opposed it.

HAS NO ROOM FOR THE SLACKERS.

TORONTO, Jan. 23.—Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, minister of lands and mines, has announced that he will not employ any single men eligible for the army.

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COST OF WAR IN THE AIR

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, Jan. 24.—Mr. Harold J. Tennant, Parliamentary Under Secretary for War, announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that in the course of the last four weeks thirteen British aeroplanes were lost on the western front and nine or ten German machines brought to the ground.

Amendment to Munitions Bill Is Proposed

LONDON, Jan. 24.—A most imperative need for more ammunition has forced the Government to propose a drastic amendment of the Munitions Act. Premier Asquith informed the House of Commons this afternoon.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

(Special to the Guardian.)
TORONTO, January 25.—Maritime: South-westerly winds increasing to gales at night, fair and milder.

The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 22 degrees above zero; at nine o'clock yesterday morning it registered 12 degrees above zero; at nine last night 17 degrees above zero. The coldest the previous night was 10 deg. above zero.

The tide will be high this afternoon at 2.09 and tomorrow at 2.32; it rises tomorrow morning at 2.15 and Thursday at 2.03.

The sun sets this afternoon at 4.56 and tomorrow at 4.58; it rises tomorrow morning at 7.29 and Thursday at 7.28.

The moon rises tonight at 10.59. There was a full moon on Thursday, Jan. 20th at 4.29 a. m.

AN ISLAND OFFICER BACK IN LONDON

Captain Jenkins, Son of Lt.-Col. Jenkins, Charlottetown, Tells of What he Saw at the Front.

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, Jan. 24.—Capt J. Jenkins Medical Officer, 24th Battalion, is in London for a few days from the front. He says Lieut. R. H. B. Buchanan was killed on the night before he left. Buchanan had only been at the front for a month during which period he proved himself very daring. He was fixing a machine gun when struck in the abdomen by a bullet which caused death in a few hours. He was the first officer of the 24th to be killed.

BERLIN CLAIMS MORE SUCCESSES

(Special to the Guardian.)
BERLIN, Jan. 24.—(Official report) Western theatre: Lively artillery duels and aeroplane actions. One enemy squadron bombarded Metz, where bombs fell on the Bishop's dwelling and on a house in hospital court. Two civilians were killed and eight wounded. One aeroplane was shot down and its inmates made prisoners. German aviators bombarded railways and military establishments behind the enemy's front. In several air engagements the Germans had the upper hand.

Portion of Soldier's Pay to be Withheld

OTTAWA, Jan. 23.—The following notice is contained in Military Orders published today: "It has been found necessary in the interests of discipline and in the interest of the men themselves to withhold a portion of the pay of the overseas service until they return to Canada." From the first of January, therefore, fifty per cent. of the pay of the rank and file will be withheld, from those who have not made any assignment of pay.

BURNS ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

The very name, Burns Concert, has always been a sort of "fery cross" to all Scotsmen, a signal to get together, and last night the signal certainly was acted upon. The People's Theatre, the largest hall in the province, was not large enough to accommodate all who sought admission and to the regret of the management as well as their own, many were obliged to wait for the second concert, which takes place to-night. A large number came by special from Summerside and intermediate points.

GERMANS CLAIM TO HAVE TAKEN SCUTARI

(Special to the Guardian.)
BERLIN, Jan. 24.—Scutari has been occupied by Austro-Hungarian troops, as announced to-day by Austro-Hungarian Headquarters. Several thousand Serbians who formed the garrison retired to the south without offering any resistance. The text of the statement follows: "Scutari has been occupied by Austro-Hungarian troops. Several thousand Serbs who formed the garrison retired towards the south without offering any resistance. Austro-Hungarians also have occupied Niksic, Banolovgrad and Podgoritz, disarming the country which had been called on to date without friction. At several places the Montenegrins did not even wait until the Austro-Hungarians appeared but laid down their arms before the arrival of the troops in order to return to their homes. In other places a majority of those disarmed preferred imprisonment to being sent home. The population generally has received our troops in friendly fashion and in some instances with ceremony. Riots, such as occurred at Podgoritz, ceased as soon as the first Austro-Hungarian detachment appeared. Italian advances in the district of Lavarone and on Rombon Slope were repulsed."

DEBATE ON BLOCKADE OPENS WEDNESDAY

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, Jan. 24.—The debate on the question of enforcing a stricter blockade of Germany by the British fleet which is to open in the House of Commons Wednesday is being awaited with keen interest in Government circles, where it is felt there will be no great opposition to the suppression of the present Orders-in-Council by a declaration of actual blockade, if the majority of the members of the House of Commons are convinced it would provide a better medium of strangling neutral trade with Germany than the present system.

New York Press Has No Sympathy For Constantine

NEW YORK, N. Y., Jan. 24.—King Constantine's appeal for sympathy of the United States made through the medium of newspaper interviews, finds no response in the American press. On the contrary the New York press emphatically condemns the conduct of the Greek monarch.

50,000 MORE MEN FOR BRITISH NAVY

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The House of Commons to-day passed, without discussion, the supplementary navy estimates, authorizing an addition of 50,000 men to the personnel of the navy.

FRENCH AIRMEN BOMBARD GERMAN TOWNS

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, Jan. 24.—French Air squadrons yesterday made important raids on the towns of Monastir and Gieveloff, according to a despatch from Salonikio Reuters. The telegram says "One squadron dropped more than 200 bombs on Monastir and the neighbourhood. Another squadron dropped 100 bombs in the vicinity of Gieveloff. All returned safely although subjected to heavy fire. It is stated that the bombs did great damage."

BRITISH DESTROY TRIBESMEN'S CAMP

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, Jan. 24.—An official communication issued tonight regarding the situation north-west of Egypt says "General Wallace's column in Egypt attacked the camp of Senusi tribesmen Sunday disposing of the enemy and burning the camp."

ANNUAL MEETING ST. PETER'S CHURCH

The adjourned annual meeting of the Congregation of St. Peter's Cathedral was held in the St. Peter's Hall last evening, Canon Simpson in the chair. There was a large attendance of both sexes.

Summerside Board of Trade

The adjourned meeting of the Summerside Board of Trade was held in the Council Chambers last evening with a good attendance of members present. A communication was read from the Secretary of the Committee on National Prohibition. This communication was referred to a committee consisting of Capt. Reed, Creelman McArthur, and J. LeRoy Holman, who later brought in the following report: "Whereas local provincial prohibition is made partially ineffective by the inability of the Provincial Government to legislate against the importation of liquor from sister provinces, because of such legislation being ultra-vires and whereas National Prohibition will be economically desirable and will supplement Provincial Legislation, be it resolved that this Board of Trade memorialize the Dominion Government to prohibit the importation and manufacture of intoxicating liquors within the Dominion during the war and the reconstruction period thereafter subject to a vote of repeal at the end of that period."

PROCEEDINGS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

Hon. J. D. Hazen Shows what Government has done in Facilitating Transatlantic Transport of Produce and Munitions, Severely Slates Mr. Pugsley for Charges Against Shell Committee and Shows that Liberals Rather than Conservatives Profited.

(From our Own Correspondent.)
OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—Hon. J. D. Hazen made an important contribution to the debate on the address to-day in a three hours' speech which was followed with the closest interest and punctuated by frequent Government cheers.

COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

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