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IN PREVENTION OF LIQUOR IMPORTATION

Bill will be Introduced Monday in House of Commons to Assist Dry Provinces in Preventing Importation of Liquors and Otherwise to Enforce Prohibition Law.

(Special to the Guardian.)
OTTAWA, March 16.—Hon. G. J. Doherty, Minister of Justice, will introduce on Monday "an act in aid of provincial legislation prohibiting or restricting the sale of intoxicating liquor." The purpose of the bill is to make effective the proposal outlined previously in connection with the amendment to be moved by Mr. R. B. Bennett to the Stevens prohibition resolution. It will assist a dry province in preventing the importation of liquors from non-prohibition districts.

The initiation of prohibitory legislation is left to the provinces, but if a provincial legislature enacts against the importation of liquor from non-prohibition districts, the Dominion law will support such a provision and facilitate its enforcement. If any province legislates that the citizen must not have in his possession liquor for domestic use, the federal law will enable the province to take steps against the violation of the law by outsiders. Dealers in non-prohibition provinces who export liquor to a prohibition province for the violation of the law in the province, will be made liable to a fine of \$100 and \$200 and to imprisonment for first and second offences respectively.

ANOTHER REPULSE FOR THE GERMANS

Infantry Attack Launched Against French Positions North of Verdun was Driven Back by French Guns. Germans Attacked in Serried Masses and were Mown Down, the Survivors being Driven Eastward. Elsewhere Along the Whole Front Battles are Raging with Great Violence and German Positions are being Effectively Shelled.

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, March 16.—Repulse at the hands of the French again has been the net result of a German infantry attack launched with huge effectiveness, after a heavy bombardment. Again from the French positions at Le Mort Homme, north-west of Verdun, the Germans who attacked in serried masses, were driven eastward toward Bois des Corbeaux, where the French guns inflicted heavy casualties on them. The attack at Le Mort Homme constituted the only infantry manoeuvre along the entire French front, but from Belgium to the Vosges, artillery of both sides has been active at numerous points.

Redoubled violence, while southward in Woivre artillery duels in the Meuse hills continue. In Argonne Forest French guns are still shelling German positions north-west of the road from Varennes and German batteries near Montfaucon. The latest German official communication making reference to French attempts to "dispute our possession of the heights of Le Mort Homme," has brought forth the statement from the French Embassy at Washington that the Germans have not gained a footing on the hill, which the French still hold. Only engagements between patrols have taken place on the Russian front. The Italians continue strongly on the offensive against the Austrians on

the Isonzo front, especially on the Podgora heights sector and south-west of San Martino. On Podgora the Italians entered the Austrian lines but, according to Vienna, were repulsed in vicious hand-to-hand fighting. Both Austrians and Italians lay claim to successes around San Martino. The Austrians assert that the Italian attack in this sector failed and that the Italians left numerous dead on the field. The Italian official statement declares that after severe artillery and musketry preparations the Austrians launched two strong attacks and succeeded in reaching the edge of the trenches taken from them recently, but were on each occasion repulsed, "leaving the ground covered with dead."

PROCEEDINGS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

Resolution Passed Authorizing Borrowing of \$75,000,000. Spirited Discussion on Proposed Business Taxation. Liberal Criticism Effectively Answered by Minister White.

(From our Own Correspondent.)
OTTAWA, March 16.—The House of Commons to-day passed Sir Thomas White's resolution authorizing additional borrowing to the extent of \$75,000,000 and then took up in committee the proposed business taxation announced in the Budget. Consideration of this will be continued to-morrow.

The Finance Minister's resolution was made the occasion for Opposition criticism of his fiscal policy generally and of a spirited defence of the same by Sir Thomas White. The Minister stated that since the war the Government had economized by embarking upon no new public works of any kind. He refuted the Opposition allegations as to the increase in the public debt by showing that the Laurier Government had added \$79,000,000 to it in the last eight years of their administration, whereas until the war began the present Government had reduced the public indebtedness materially. The Minister of Finance also showed that recent increases in public expenditures had been only the normal growth of years observable during the Liberal regime as well as since.

ROSSLEYS SCORE ANOTHER SUCCESS

Blue Beard Presented Charming by the Clever Young Artists, Supplemented by Sweetly Rendered Songs and Graceful Dances.

The Rossley's scored another success at the Prince Edward last evening in their presentation of the world famed "Blue Beard," a story known in almost every nursery and it was enjoyed by quite a large audience. The play was presented by constant bursts of well merited applause. The playette was nicely staged, Donnie Rossley making an ideal Fatima, Blue Beard's wife. The story of woman's curiosity and her entrance to the forbidden chamber was very prettily staged. Especially pleasing was the posing of the dancing statues, the graceful dancing being appreciated to the full by the audience.

The entrance to the forbidden chamber was very well presented and the consternation which the sight presented with the dropping of the fatal key was quite thrilling. Sister Annie, Jack Rossley however provided fun enough to relieve the tension and also to make Blue Beard laugh, a laugh in which everybody joined.

INTERESTING LECTURE BY U.S. CONSUL PIERCE

Rarely has an audience in Charlottetown had a more interesting and enjoyable evening than was spent in Hearst Memorial Hall last night, when Dr. Pierce, American Consul, delivered a masterly lecture entitled "Beyond the Golden Gate." Rev. R. G. Fulton presided and introduced the lecturer. The lecture was illustrated, a number of picturesque views being put on the screen.

Displayed by Dr. Pierce, were a Chinese Mandarin robe and a Dragon Flag of Japan. The method employed by the artist in making the scenes come alive, gone into in detail, and it was shown how the elegant and delicate lines of these vases are acquired, together with their great durability. A great tribute was paid to Japan's progressiveness; in military power, the lecturer claimed her to be comparable to Germany, in commercialism, to America and in sea power, to Britain; yet, he said, "she remains at heart the old Japan."

American Troops On Track of Villa

(Special to the Guardian.)
EL PASO, Texas, March 16.—The seventh and tenth cavalry, said to be advancing into Mexico by forced marches from Cubersons Ranch, near Hachita, New Mexico, were nearing the territory in the Casas Grandes region to-night, according to most reliable information that could be obtained here. These troops are reported to be marching with a minimum of equipment and to be led by scouts from Mormon colonies at Colonia du Blan and Colonia Arables, from their point of departure the distance is 80 miles to Casas Grandes and a start was made early yesterday morning. Villa intends to offer any organized resistance to his pursuers it might be possible for the United States soldiers to come in contact with his outposts very soon.

DUTCH STEAMER SUNK BY TORPEDO

Carried Number of Americans and was Attacked Without Warning.

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, March 16.—The Dutch passenger steamer Tubantia, bound from Holland for South America, has been sunk by an explosion near Moorhinder lightship. All the passengers, among whom it is reported were several Americans, and members of the crew were saved. Whether the ship was torpedoed or struck a mine has not developed.

The Submarine Apology Farce

LONDON, March 16.—A Reuter's despatch from Christiania says it is reported here that the Norwegian government has asked Germany whether a German submarine torpedoed the Norwegian barque Silhus, which, with seven Americans on board, was sunk last week off the French coast. If the Silhus was torpedoed, the despatch says, an explanation of the conditions under which the attack was made is requested.

French War Minister Resings Through Illness

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, March 16.—General Gallieni, French Minister of War, has resigned, because of ill health. General Roque will succeed him.

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The Prohibition Vote in Manitoba

WINNIPEG, March 15.—With the returns from three constituencies entirely lacking and some other outlying divisions incomplete the vote on prohibition stands.

Bombardment Report Made in Germany

BERLIN, March 16.—Via wireless to Sayville.—Reports have been received here from Athens that British warships have bombarded the open town of Vuria, near Smyrna, of which inhabitants are nearly all Greeks. An Overseas News Agency item given out to-day. The town, the report states, was almost entirely destroyed. A part of the Greek population was taken to Mitylene. Athens advices state that the news has caused a storm of indignation in the Greek capital.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

(Special to the Guardian.)
TORONTO, March 17.—Maritime: Strong winds or gales from north and north-west; clearing and cold.

THE WEATHER.—Yesterday was cool and blustery with snow.

The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 26 degrees above zero. At nine o'clock yesterday morning it registered 20 above; at nine last night 23 above. The coldest the previous night was 18 above.

The tide will be high this morning at 9.41 and tomorrow at 10.15; it will be high tonight at 9.14 and tomorrow at 10.07.

The sun sets this afternoon at 6.09 and tomorrow at 6.10; it rises tomorrow morning at 6.08 and Sunday at 6.06.

The moon rises this afternoon at 4.11.

The first quarter of the moon was on Saturday, March 11th at 2.33 p.m. There will be a full moon on Sunday, March 19th at 1.27 p.m.

The length of today will be twelve hours and 1 minute.

CANADA'S DEAD IN THE WAR NUMBER 5,000, AND HER TOTAL CASUALTIES 25,000 MEN

OTTAWA, March 15.—The list of actual casualties among the Canadian forces, including killed in action, died of wounds and sickness, wounded and missing but not known to be prisoners of war, has been totalled up to March 1st. By the casualties branch of the militia department and amounted to 13,961.

It is practically certain that by far the greater number of those men are dead, which swells the list of Canadian dead to almost 5,000. The total number of wounded is 9,325. All included the total number of casualties would be near 25,000 men.

Two Eminent Surgeons Chance to Win \$200 From United States On New Name for an Ontario Town

BALTIMORE, Md., March 14.—Two surgeons of John Hopkins Hospital are on their way to Berlin to make a scientific examination of prisoners' camps in Germany. They are Dr. Stewart Vernon Irwin and Dr. Jerome Pierce Webster and it was learned that they are designated in response to a request from the British government that the American department of state name two surgeons to visit the British prisoners' camps in Germany.

While the Baltimoreans will devote most of their time to the British camps, and will make reports to the British government, it is thought likely that a report of the conduct of the various prisoner camps also will be made to the American Red Cross.

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