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THE WAR

Apart from the great drive on the western front, where General Foch is steadily driving the Germans back, and, better still, destroying their army, capturing their guns and munitions, and getting possession of the railways, the most significant news now comes from Russia.

This spells the doom of the German dream in Russia; it makes a "scrap of paper" of the Brest-Litovsk treaty which concluded a rotten German peace with the rottenest German element in the disorganized Russia of a few months ago.

The power of the Bolsheviks is everywhere declining, and it is doubtful whether their rule now runs anywhere far beyond Moscow. Lenin and Trotzky, a precious pair of pro-German rascals, have been denounced, even in Moscow itself, for acting in collusion with Berlin.

Our yesterday's despatches indicate that the Germans are finding temporary standing places at certain sections along their line of retreat. This was expected, but the losses they have sustained in men, guns and material will be a serious hindrance to them, and will greatly reduce their fighting strength.

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AN INJUSTICE

Lord Robert Cecil gives a proper and timely reminder that the indemnity already extorted from Belgium amounts to 2,300,000,000 francs. Till that has been repaid by Germany the question of "peace without indemnities" cannot even arise.

Springfield Republican.

If given quick despatch by the Medical Board here, this young man would get away with the loss of two days; if, as is the case, he is one of fifty or more, he loses three days besides hotel expenses.

This is clearly unfair. While the recruits are ordered to come to the Medical Board at Charlottetown, instead of sending the Medical Board to centres in the different counties, was intended to save the country's expenses, it entails a much greater expense upon the country, through these individuals.

The government should strongly protest against this system and insist upon having the Medical Board visit the different centres in the other counties as formerly.

THE ENEMY'S LOSSES

Without definite figures of the strength of Von Hutier we merely can assume that three army corps are under his command. Considering the reduced size of German divisions in these times it may be estimated that his force would hardly exceed 140,000 men. Over 34,000 have been captured. Casualties have been heavy, and there is reason to believe that Von Hutier's total losses may reach one-half of his effectives.

It used to be believed that a regiment losing 10 per cent. of its effectives was useless. That is the origin of our English word "decimated," which is commonly used as a synonym for "destroyed."

The enemy's hope of "forcing a decision his year" is ended. Two blows such as those at Chateau Thierry and Montdidier are not to be countered save by months of preparation.

WORK OR FIGHT

We do not know, says the Mail and Empire, if many men in Class One who were exempted because of the importance of their work have been engaged in strikes or have otherwise failed to carry on the conditions of their exemption.

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AMERICAN ARMY AND PROHIBITION

In the view of the officers of the American regular army, there is no military reason for the numerous restrictions that have been thrown round the soldiers with regard to the consumption of liquor.

Navy is Very Dry

In the United States, however, no man in military uniform, whether he is private or officer, can be served with an alcoholic drink in any public place.

Not Recommended by Staff

The Army and Navy Gazette, as quoted by the Washington correspondent of the Boston Transcript, says that the various temperance regulations which have been clamped upon the army were never recommended by the General Staff, although they are being enforced to the letter by commanding officers who have no sympathy with them.

DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

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THE HOUSE ON THE HILL

Eugene J. Hall. We are far from the home of our boyhood today. In the battle of life we are struggling alone; The weather-worn farmhouse has gone to decay; The chimney has fallen, its swallows has flown.

Farewell to the friends of our bright boyhood days, To the beautiful vales once delightful to roam; From the weather-worn house to their heavenly home; Where they wait, where they watch, and will welcome us still, As they waited and watched in the house on the hill.

will be in the other direction as a result of promoting bad feeling and more or less rebellion on the part of those who are subjected to them against their will.

The Vodkaless Russians

The Gazette points out that one experiment made upon a people used to strong drink and suddenly deprived of it not such as to support the position of the prohibitionists.

The German View

In the past there was a great military leader who believed that an army composed of total abstainers might dominate the world.

YOUR PROBLEMS SOLVED

BY REV. T. S. LINSKOTT, D. D. (All rights reserved)

Dr. Linscott in this column will help you solve our heart problems, religious, natural, social, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you.

THE VIBRATION THEORY:—"A School Boy" wants to know about "The Vibration Theory." Scientists tell us that seemingly motionless and inert matter is alive and every particle of it is in a state of intensest vibration.

THE PROBLEM OF HAPPINESS:—"A Philosopher" inquires, "Are rich people happier than their poorer neighbors?" They are not one whit happier except they are also rich in faith and in good works.

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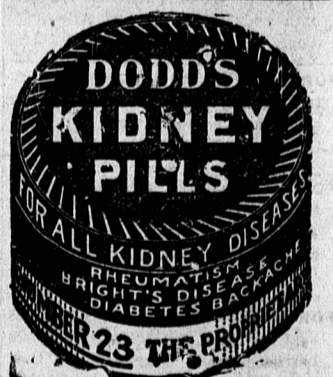
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Rev. Wm. McLeod Inducted to new Charge

Rev. Wm. McLeod at 7.30 a. m. on 6th was inducted into the pastoral charge of Leitcher Creek. By autos and carriages people assembled in the neat church by the large well built manse, just on the seashore.

BRITISH SHIP TORPEDOED OFF NANTUCKET

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—The Associated Press carries the following despatch: Nantucket, Mass., Aug. 12.—Sinking of the British steamer Penitence by a German submarine off George Bank was reported here today.



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