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Huns throw Bombs When
Wind Blows Towards
The Allies

Paris, April 24.—The asphyxiation gases used by the Germans in their attacks on Ypres on Thursday were thrown at numerous points along a front of three miles, according to information that has been brought to Paris. The contents of these missiles were largely chloride, mixed with other chemicals.

The Germans threw these bombs when the wind was blowing from them in the direction of French trenches. The fumes caused uncomfortable breathing and a smarting of the eyes at a distance of nearly two miles behind the trenches and they were so powerful that the Germans had to wait themselves a considerable time before they could occupy the evacuated trenches.

During this delay the French troops recovered from the effects of the fumes, delivered a counter-attack and regained most of the ground lost. The German supply of chloride bombs apparently had been used up in their first advance. They had no more to throw, and they gave way before the resolute bayonet attack of the French. The bombs themselves are thrown by means of a hand-ling such as boys use for throwing stones.

and determination undoubtedly saved the situation. Their conduct has been magnificent throughout."

The 47 guns with the Canadian division are part of the heavy artillery brigade. They are 45 pounders from Montreal under the command of Major Frank C. Magee. St. John; Capt. G. E. H. H. Montreal; Lieut. W. A. Irving Quebec; Lt. J. A. Ryan, Montreal; and Lieut. W. H. Robb, Montreal.

London, April 24.—The Daily Mail correspondent in Northern France, in a despatch describing the British attack on Hill No. 60, southeast of Ypres, says:

"The British success was due largely to the speed of the tunnel engineers, for the explosion of the British mines anticipated by only a short time a similar move of the German engineers. Hill No. 60 is only 200 yards long. The fighting here has been more terribly concentrated than in any spot in history. The whole hill is mined, trenched, sanded and covered. Some of the enemy's trenches are still virtually on the hill within twenty yards of our trenches."

"The Canadian troops have been specially commended by the British commanders for the speed and precision with which they dug themselves in after charging."

London, April 24.—Discussing the latest German effort to break through the British lines at Ypres, the military correspondent of the Daily Mail says:

"The critical moment has arrived. The immediate object of the Germans is the capture of Ypres which they regard as the key to Calais. For this movement picked troops have been transported to the Flanders front as evidenced by reported reports from Holland and the elaborate troop movements in Belgium. The British blow at Hill No. 60 was an effort to strike first."

"If the German report of the capture of four heavy guns is true, the enemy must have made an advance of at least two or three miles, as heavy guns never are placed near the front and often are four or five behind the advanced trenches."

"The Germans still are bringing up large reinforcements, throwing every available man into the gap. They have probably half a million men available with out depleting the eastern front, and many men might be spared from Poland where the roads render military operations impossible for the present."

London, April 24.—German troops have renewed their drive for Calais. This is the construction placed by the British military experts upon the sudden offensive of the Kaiser's army in Flanders. Their assaults directed against Ypres and the Allies' forces on the west bank of the Ypres Canal have resulted in victory for the time being, at least. That the Allies have been forced to retreat is admitted by both Field Marshal Sir John French and the Paris War Office, though they attribute the Germans' success to the use of asphyxiating bombs. It is apparent that Germany, though possibly terribly weakened by the burdens placed upon her army in the Western and Eastern theatres of war, is still able to fight vigorously. The German troops in Flanders now are believed to number 500,000, and more are steadily arriving. The opinion of the military experts here is that the German general staff has withdrawn great forces from the Eastern theatre and transferred them to Flanders, as recent despatches from Berlin have reported no late levies, though they assert that there are still 5,000,000 men in the empire who can be drawn upon if necessary.

Don't flatter yourselves that friendship authorizes you to say disagreeable things to your intimates.—O. W. Holmes.

All hotel guests in Massachusetts will be required to register under their own names under the provisions of a bill passed by the U. S. Senate on Tuesday. The house already has passed the bill. Provision is made for a fine of \$25 upon the hotel management for each violation discovered.

IT WILL BE NOTED that the French tell of their own men going insane temporarily under this last and greatest horror of war—concentrated artillery fire. The British reports of Neuve Chapelle referred to the mental anguish of the Germans captured there after having been subjected to a like experience. It has been established that no troops can come through such an ordeal unshaken, and it is upon this hypothesis that Lord Kitchener proposes to organize victory. These last bombardments of Neuve Chapelle and the Ailly Woods and Hill 60 supply the reason for the placing of contracts for shells for the Allies to the value of hundreds of mil-



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The Situation.

London, April 24 (12.15 p. m.)—The war office to-day gave out the following official note:

"The fight for the ground into which the Germans penetrated between Steenstraete and Langemarck still continues. The loss of this part of the line laid bare the left of the Canadian division, which was forced to fall back in order to keep in touch with the right of the neighboring troops. In the rear of the latter had been four Canadian 4.7 inch guns, which thus passed into the hands of the enemy. But some hours later, the Canadians made a most brilliant and successful advance, recapturing these guns, and taking a considerable number of German prisoners, including a colonel. The Canadians had many casualties, but their gallantry

lions of dollars in machine shops all over the world.

IN LORRAINE AND ALSACE Thursday the French again made progress, particularly in the valley of the Fecht, in Alsace, where the advance must be causing the German Staff very serious anxiety because of the inability of the largely reinforced army of the Rhine to stop it.

—Toronto Globe

The Willing Workers' class of the Reformed Baptist church met at the residence of Miss Florence Britton on Monday evening. The evening was spent very pleasantly with games and music. Refreshments were served about eleven o'clock.

The 55th Battalion

The medical officer for the 55th Battalion, Capt. Gardiner, was in town on Friday inspecting the men recently enlisted. There are now about 70 men on the roll.

Capt. Graves who has been in command of the Woodstock contingent here has been transferred to Campbellton. Lieut. Douglas Balmain has been transferred here from Fredericton to fill the vacancy. He arrived here on Monday and will immediately take command.

One new recruit was taken on Saturday. Donald Kemp, of Plaster Rock.

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Mr. H. C. Nelson, C. E., of the C. P. R. staff here, last week presented to the boys of the 55th Battalion an association foot ball, which the boys very much appreciate.

The Supreme Court opened on Tuesday, Judge Barry, of Fredericton, presiding. In the case the King versus Shannon, the jury found no bill.

Rev. Dr. J. G. Shearer, social and moral reformer, of the Presbyterian church in Canada, gave a free lecture in the vestry of St. Paul's church, on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Dr. Shearer is an expert on social and moral conditions throughout the Dominion. He made use of a magic lantern to illustrate his address. The

The teachers and pupils of grade five and six, Fisher Memorial School gave a surprise party to John and Willie Fraser at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fraser, on Friday evening, and presented the boys with a couple of baseball bats, balls and books. The evening was pleasantly spent in music and games. Refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

The presentations were made by Miss Francis Millmore and Miss Crickard. Those present were, Misses Thelma Burden, Doris Hanson, Annie Brown, Merilla Colpitts, Muriel Newnham, Effie Kierstead, Elizabeth Johnston, Dorothy Mooers and Dorothy Jones and Masters Robert Brown, Donald Vanwart, Marven McLean, Harold DeLong, Harold Kennedy, Allan Aiterton, Charles Comben, Raymond Brown, George Jones, Donald Plummer and Douglas Mooers, also Mrs. Ernest McLean, Mrs. Robert Corbett, the Misses Francis Millmore, Agnes Crickard and Hildred McLean. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fraser intend returning to their former home in Antigonish in the near future. Mr. Fraser came here as one of the subcontractors on the Valley Railway, and the family has made many friends who will regret to see them leave the town.

The Rev. Bamford Colpitts says that he sowed oats on new land this spring on April 19th and wheat on April 24th. In 1913 he sowed wheat on April 27th which yielded 35 bushels to the acre. Last year the season was exceptionally backward. Wheat was sowed by Mr. Colpitts May 18th, which yielded 32 bushels to the acre, which he sold at an average of \$2 a bushel. In western Canada wheat will only average 20

Took Toll of 15 or 20 lives

Austin, Texas, April 23—Floods that swept down Waller and Shoal Creeks here last night took a toll of fifteen or twenty lives, according to estimates to day. Houses were jammed in masses against the bridges and the high water flooded many business houses. Heroic work was done by citizen rescue parties and by the fire and police departments. Of eight persons in a house which was swept down Waller Creek all but one are believed to have perished.

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(Special to Montreal Star and St. John's Globe.)

London, April 27.—(Northern France, Monday, by courier to London)—"Never Beaten" is the motto Canadians can now wear under Maple Leaf badge.

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