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croiting in the provinces. Disorganized as Russia is, and no matter what the military faltering of Russian soldiers, terror and misery can, by forcing Russian soldiers into the German ranks, especially in the Baltic provinces. They, perhaps, would fight badly, but they would make up the number.

Paris, July 31.—In well informed Roumanian circles in Paris it is said the German high command has asked the commander of the German troops stationed in Roumania and in the Russian districts how many divisions can be released to be sent to the western front.

Field Marshal von Mackensen, the German commander in Roumania, according to a despatch to the Havas Agency from Bern, replied that it would be unsafe to remove any troops owing to the excited condition of the Roumanian people. The despatch adds that von Mackensen has directed the Roumanian government, owing to uprisings, to proclaim a state of siege throughout the country.

CENTREVILLE N. B.

Rev. Mr. Crowell, of Bridge-water Centre exchanged pulpits

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with Rev. Mr. Johnston of Centreville last Sunday, and Rev. Mr. Hurlow of Tracy Mills exchanged with Rev. Mr. Champ

Rev. J. E. Flewelling, of Centreville spent last Sunday in the village and held services in the church here.

There was a large quantity of hay cut and gathered in last week.

The crops are looking splendid wheat better than the average, potatoes also are in first class condition.

William A. Reid's sons from Boston are visiting the old home.

Dr. Brown will no doubt rebuild on the site of the buildings destroyed by fire a short time ago.

We are having a large amount of money expended on the roads but we are having some splendid roads as a result.

Harry H. Weade has bought the new buildings lately erected by William Wiggins near the railway station and has also bought the land west of the Gilland lot between the railway and the highway road.

Mrs. Susan Watson is visiting at the home of her brother H. J. Clark.

Mrs. F. D. Tweedie spent a few days in the village last week with her sister Mrs. Leland Clark.

The excessive heat of the past few days has been trying on the old people who have to labour,

**Proof of Trouble
In German Camp**

London, Aug. 1.—Extraordinary disclosures apparently confirming the rumors of dissension at German headquarters arising out of the Crown Prince's disastrous attack, are published in the newspaper Tages Zeitung, of Essen, the substance of which is that at a council of war held in the presence of the Kaiser, the Crown Prince was severely criticized by Ludendorff, and apparently also by Hindenburg. Something tantamount to a demand for removal from his command was put forward and the Kaiser was constrained to admit the existence of some degree of justification for the remonstrances of his military leaders, but dynamic circumstances prevailed over those of military character. It is extraordinary that such statements should have been permitted to appear in a German newspaper, however obscure.

Heavy Electric Storm

There was a heavy thunder and lightning storm late Saturday afternoon, July 29, accompanied by hail. Lightning struck a few houses in town as well as the town clock but did little damage, tore down the barn of Thomas Cunningham at Newbridge, and broke some glass in different farm houses. The hail storm driven by a heavy wind, destroyed three acres of wheat on each of the farms of Fenwick Gartley and Guy Gartley at Watson Settlement and along the Houlton border, but adjoining farms in Watson Settlement, Belleville, Lindsay, etc., were unharmed.

Devonshire,



[L.S.]

CANADA.

PROCLAMATION

GEORGE the FIFTH, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To all to whom these presents shall come or whom the same may in any wise concern, —GREETING:—

A Proclamation of conditional amnesty respecting men belonging to Class I under the Military Service Act, 1917, who have disobeyed our Proclamation of 13th October, 1917, or their orders to report for duty, or are deserters or absent without leave from the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

E. L. NEWCOMBE, Deputy Minister of Justice, Canada. WHEREAS considerable numbers of men belonging to Class I under our Military Service Act, 1917, called out on active service in our Canadian Expeditionary Force for the defence of Canada under Our Proclamation of 13th October, 1917, although they have thus become by law soldiers enlisted in the Military Service of Canada,

Have failed to report for duty as lawfully required of them under the said Military Service Act and the regulations thereunder, including the Order in Council duly passed on April 20 last,

Or have deserted,

Or absented themselves without leave from our Canadian Expeditionary Force,

And it is represented that the very serious and unfortunate situation in which these men find themselves is due in many cases to the fact that, notwithstanding the information and warning contained in Our Proclamation aforesaid, they have misunderstood their duty or obligation, or have been misled by the advice of ill-disposed, disloyal or seditious persons.

AND WHEREAS we desire, if possible, to avoid the infliction of the heavy penalties which the law imposes for the offences of which these soldiers have thus been guilty, and to afford them an opportunity within a limited time to report and make their services available in Our Canadian Expeditionary Force as is by law their bounden duty, and as is necessary for the defence of Our Dominion of Canada.

NOW KNOW YE that we in the exercise of Our powers, and of Our good will and pleasure in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare and cause to be published and made known THAT THE PENALTIES OF THE LAW WILL NOT BE IMPOSED OR EXACTED as against the men who belong to Class I under Our Military Service Act, 1917, and who have disobeyed Our Proclamation aforesaid; or who have received notice from any of Our registrars or deputy registrars to report for duty on a day now past and have failed so to report; or who, having reported and obtained leave of absence, have failed to report at the expiry of their leave, or have become deserters from Our Expeditionary Force, PROVIDED THEY REPORT FOR DUTY ON OR BEFORE THE TWENTY FOURTH DAY OF AUGUST 1918.

AND WE DO HEREBY STRICTLY WARN AND SOLEMNLY IMPRESS UPON ALL SUCH MEN, and as well those who employ, harbour, conceal or assist them in their disobedience, that, if they persist in their failure to report, absence or desertion until the expiry of the last mentioned day, they will be pursued and punished with all the rigour and severity of the law, SUBJECT TO THE JUDGMENT OF OUR COURTS MARTIAL WHICH WILL BE CONVENED TO TRY SUCH CASES or other competent tribunals; and also that those who employ, harbour, conceal or assist such men will be held strictly accountable as offenders and subject to the pains, penalties and forfeitures in that behalf by law provided for their said offence.

Provided however that nothing contained in this Our Proclamation is intended to release the men aforesaid from their obligation to report for duty as soon as possible or to grant them immunity from arrest or detention in the meantime for the purpose of compelling them to perform their military duty; Our intention being solely to forego or remit the penalties heretofore incurred for failure to report, absence without leave or desertion incurred by those men of the description aforesaid who shall be in the proper discharge of their military duties on or before the said twenty-fourth day of August, 1918.

Of all of which Our loving subjects and all others whom these presents may concern are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. Witness: Our Right Trusty and Right Entirely Beloved Cousin and Counsellor, Victor Christian William, Duke of Devonshire, Marquess of Hartington, Earl of Devonshire, Earl of Burlington, Baron Cavendish of Hardwick, Baron Cavendish of Keighley, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter; One of Our Most Honourable Privy Counsellors; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Knight Grand Cross of Our Royal Victorian Order; Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Our Dominion of Canada.

At Our Government House, in Our City of OTTAWA, this FIRST day of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and in the ninth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

Thomas Mulvey

Under-Secretary of State.

**Sees Signs of
Further Retreat**

Paris, July 31, (Havas Agency)—French aerial observers, says the Matin report that there are signs behind the present German battle front of prepara-

tion for a continuation of the retirement northward. The enemy is destroying much material and big fire has been seen.

The newspapers generally point out that the fighting Tuesday was marked by brisk but vain enemy reactions. They believe that the German line of resistance has been reached, although the Allies were able to make additional gains.

Several military experts do not believe that the Germans have yet reached the end of their retiring movement.

Boy Scouts Arrive

Nine boy scouts, who left Woodstock last Friday morning, arrived in the city Friday morning, being just a week in making the trip from Woodstock to this city. They averaged about nine miles per day and slept in barns, station platforms and grave yards at night. They cooked their own meals along the road. One of the boys who left Woodstock dropped out at Meductic and the party was reinforced at Springhill by one recruit. The party en route saved two horses which had fallen into a brook, and also rendered valuable service to a stalled automobile. The youngest scout was only nine years old, and the eldest sixteen years. Those in the party included Don Rankin, John Mauzer, Harold Kennedy, Rankin Masters, Holly Young, "Jake" Winchester, Don Wilcox, Don Rogers, John Rankin, Art Rogers, Cecil Grant.—Gleaner.

They arrived in Woodstock Friday night by Valley train.

Woodstock Deanery

Woodstock Deanery of the Church of England met at Hartland on Wednesday and Thursday. The clergymen present were Rev. J. E. Stewelling, Canterbury, Rev. Reese Jones, Richmond, Rev. J. Robinson Bolyea Andover; Rev. Mr. Budd, Southampton, Rev. A. S. Hazel, Woodstock, Rev. Fenton, of McAdam, and Rev. N. Franchetta of Hartland. Wednesday evening Rev. Reese Jones preached to the congregation, and Thursday morning at nine o'clock there was celebration of the Holy Communion, with a session later, when a chapter of the New Testament was read in the original Greek and discussed. Rev. J. E. Stewelling is rural dean.

Mrs. Marvin Bubar, of Island Falls, Me., Mrs. S. Kelly, Houlton, Me. and Mrs. James H. McTier, Kirkland, Me. Thomas McNartin, Maxwell, Me. and Mrs. Clyde Glenn, Me. and Mrs. Oran Day, Grand Falls, Me. and Mrs. Geo. Whitehouse, Knowlesville, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Glenn, Florenceville, were in town last week to attend the funeral of the late James McLean. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kimball, of Augusta Me., were in town last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Kimball's father, Mr. James McLean.

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