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# French Troops Recapture **Portion of Lost Trenches**

# Jutbreaks Among German Troops.

PARIS, Feb. 15 (via London), - In the Champagne district French troops have recaptured a portion of the advanced trenches occupied by the Germans on the 13th of February, according to the announcement given out by the French War Office this afternoon.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 15 (via London).—An official statement issued today reports the failure of all German attacks along the Riga front, where the Russians are declared to be retaining all their positions.

The statement also asserts that there have been serious outbreaks among the German troops near Vilna, in one of which a lieutenant was killed and numerous officers and soldiers afterwards court martialed.

#### **BELGIAN FORCES CARRYING ON SUCCESSFUL**

OPERATIONS IN GERMAN EAST AFRICA MORE MONEY TO BE RAISED LONDON, Feb. 15 .- Advices to Reuter's state that, according to wireless despatches received at Elizabethville, in an ac tion between Belgians who are invading German East Africa. in the Lake Kivu district, and a German force which opposed them, heavy losses resulted on both sides. Details are lacking. but it is stated that the fighting still continues. The Belgians the despatches say, attacked a German post situated well across the frontier and captured several trenches which the Germans had dug and which they afterwards succeeded in reoccupying.

Lake Kivu, in East Central Africa, lies between the Blgian Congo and German East Africa. The above is the first word received regarding military operations in that region, although a despatch from Havre on February 12th said that news had been received from the Belgian forces operating on Lake Tangany ika to the effect that the German gunboat Hedwig Von Wise man had been sunk in a naval combat off Albertville, two of the German crew being killed and the remainder daken prisoners.

#### **RUSSIAN COMMISSION TO VISIT ENGLAND** IN SEARCH OF FIRST-HAND INFORMATION

PETROGRAD, Feb. 15 (via London) .- A commission of prominent literary men from Russia left today for England, on the invitation of the British Government, to make a tour of inspection and to observe the war work being carried out in Great Britain, in order that, on their return to Russia, they may deliver lectures to the troops and civilians, giving their impressions of the part Great Britain is really playing in the war.

The commission includes Nemrovich Danchenko, the vel

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—The annual budget other war appropriation is expected. statement outlining new taxation and war appropriation schemes of the Gov-rowed and it is expected with the largwar appropriation schemes of the Government for the coming year will be made in the House this afternoon by Sir Thos. White, Finance Minister. While the series of taxation inno-vations introduced last year by Sir Thomas and the general revenue have exceeded anticipations, and while the Dominion now has a large trade bal-ance in her favor, the constantly in-creasing number of soldiers being re-cruited—the estimate aimed at being 500,000—will necessitate the raising of more money by new taxation, while an-tance in her favor, will necessitate the raising of more money by new taxation, while an-tance in her favor, while and the the stimate aimed at being to the estimate aimed at being of the farmers will not be affected either.

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Detectives Nicholas Hunt, after the translation of letters written in Ital-ian found in Allegrini's rooms, claim

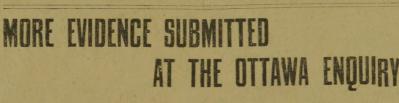
that they regard as established the existence of an anti-clerical organiza

ion headed by a "committee of fifteen

of which Crones and Allegrini are be lieved to be members. Names of the "committee of fifteen" are said to be in the hands of the police, and it was predicted that the arrest of some of

he committee members would be mad

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Ottawa, Feb. 15.—Evidence of mem bers of the staff of the Providence gave no odor, while others would give bers of the staff of the Providence Journal, which paper represented that it had received a warning of the likeli-hood of incendiary fires being started Mr. Stanfield stated he had no evi-mon you after a short recess to renew your deliberations. The

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The Weather.

Maritime Northeast winds, fair and cold today; Wednes-day fair and a little milder.

ONE CENT PER COPY

The Means for Prosecuting War to A Successful Issue.

#### (Canadian Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 15 .- The sixth session of the present Parliament will be opened at two o'clock this afternoon by a royal commission. The five commissioners, Baron Buckmaster, of Chedington, Lord High Chancellor, the Duke of Devonshire, the Marquis of Lincolnshire, Lord Farquhar and Lord Sandhurst, will attend in the House of Lords, and the members of the House, having been summoned to attend in the House of Peers, BY NEW TAXATION SCHEME the Lord Chancellor will read the King's speech, which was finally approved at a meeting of the Privy Council this morning

> Both chambers, after the reading of the speech, will adjourn until four o'clock, when the debate on the address will begin. Though the contents of the royal speech will not be made known until it is read in the House of Lords, it is understood it will deal solely with the means of prosecuting the war to a victorious issue.

> No parliamentary session for many decades will have been opened with such complete absence of controversal questions to occupy its attention. Important topics will be discussed during the debate on the address; which may possibly continue into next week. The topics include air defence, the blockade, merchant tonnage and national economy questions.

> Premier Asquith, in a speech he is to deliver today, reviewing the war situation, is expected to touch on all these subjects. When the debate on the address is concluded the Government will claim the whole time of the House for consideration of financial questions.

#### SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

eran war correspondent; Russkoestovo Yegeroff, the foreign will be taken by the Federal commis-editor of the Novoe Vremya and Count Alexis Tolstoi, a lead-sion, consisting of R. A. Pringle, K. C., - W. B. Northrup, M. P., exar editor of the Novoe Vremya, and Count Alexis Tolstoi, a leading novelist.

#### AIR RAIDS ON ITALIAN TOWNS.

ROME, Feb. 14, via Paris, Feb. 15.- Austrian aeroplanes this morning bombarded Monsea, ten miles northeast of Milan, killing one person, injuring five. Attacks also were made on Norgamo and Treviglio, but no damage was done.

Another squadron of six aircraft appeared about the same fine over Bresci, but were driven off by anti-aircraft guns.

#### A COLLECTIVE STATEMENT.

PARIS, Feb. 15.—A special despatch from Rome says the Cardinals and Bishops of Germany and Austria are preparing a collective statement in answer to the letter of the Belgian bishops.

#### HEAVY LOSS FROM AIR RAID.

ATHENS, Greece, Feb. 14, via Paris, Feb. 15. The cham- ARETHUSA'S SUVIVORS ber of commerce of Saloniki places the losses caused to eighty merchants there by the recent Zeppetin bombardment at 5.-

#### FRENCH FORTRESS SHELLED.

BERLIN, Feb. 15 (by wireless to Sayville).-Advices from Swiss sources to the Overseas News Agency state that the shelling of the French fortress of Belfort recently by heavy German guns has done great damage. It is said that about fifty houses lieave have been destroyed, that entire streets have been damaged badly and that the well-to-do inhabitants have fled to Switzerland. The number of dead and wounded is not known.

#### BACK FROM THE FRONT.

London, Feb. 15 .-- Lord Kitchener, Secretary of War, returned to London after a visit to the front.

## REPORTED STEANER

sea, supposed to be a vessel with cotton from the United States. Commu- when they returned to barracks. Chi nication was kept up by wireless for a time, in case help was needed, but the sponsible for stirring up the recen ON FIRE AT SEA time, in case help was needed, but the sponsible for stirring up the recall did not come. The name of the trouble was of pro-German origin.

St. John, Feb. 15.—The Allan liner cellian, which arrived here last night, ing by special train for Quebec. St. John, Feb. 15.—The Allan liner ing by special train for Quebec. Barker House, crought word of a steamer on fire at ing by special train for Quebec.

n Canada by German sympathizers, dence to submit to show that chemic sion, consisting of R. A. Pringle, K. C., and Judge McTavish, now investigat-ing the conflagration, which partially destroyed the Parliament buildings lives. This announcement was made he visited the first desk. Frank Glass this morning by Mr. Pringle, when of East Middlesex came in and went the commission resumed its enquiry. to the end of that desk. A messenger He said that if it were not possible also entered with some papers while Ottawa, the commission would visit the reading room. When he passed out of them in Providence and take their the reading room an altercation was testimony, and also that of any per-sons to whom this warning was pass-ed, particularly with a view to deter-mine if the information were forward-ing to get down the corridor to the reading room, and his impression was ed to anyone in Ottawa. Edgar Stanfield, of the Federal he finally did so. He was not smoke

Mines Department, submitted a writ-ten view in regard to spontaneous com-bustion. He reported that certain chemicals placed on paper will ignite the state of the spontaneous com-the state of the spontaneous com-bustion. He reported that certain chemicals placed on paper will ignite the state of the spontaneous com-the state of the spontaneous com-bustion. He reported that certain chemicals placed on paper will ignite t after an interval of from five to six- witt Foster, ex-M. P.



Chatham, Eng., Feb. 15 .- About 300 survivors of the British cruiser Are- vestigation will be made into the ad thusa, which sunk as the result of tion of soldiers at Berlin, Ontario, last striking a mine on the cast coast of night in wrecking the costly memor England, arrived here Saturday night, ial of the Kaiser's grandfather in Vic

It is supposed that sixteen or seven-teen men who were in the stokehold to their eyes. at the time the vessel struck the mine

### QUIET HAS BEEN RESTORED IN THE CITY OF CALGARY

Calgary, Alta., Feb. 15.—The city vas absolutely quiet last night. The battalions stationed here were taken for a long route march yesterday and men were quite willing to turn of Police Cuddy and other officials are

spirit of my Allies and my people, who are united in this confiel by ever-strengthening ties of sympathy and understanding, remains steadfast in the resolve to secure reparation for the victims of unprovoked and unjustifiable outrage, and effectual safeguards for all nations against the aggression of a power which mistakes force for right, and expediency for honor.

With a proud and grateful conscience I look to the courage, tenacity and resources of my navy and army, on whom we depend worthily.

#### **ROUMANIAN EX-MINIISTER DECLARES THAT THE** GERMAN MENACE AT SALONIKI IS PURE BLUFF

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Take Jonescu, former Roumanian minister of foreign affairs, and pro-Entente leader, cabling to the New York American from Bucharest, says:

'I believe that Germany must make a last desperate effort to force peace next summer by a stupendous effort on either the French or Russian front. Her menace to Saloniki is pure eral. As for Roumania. I have always been of the opinion that we committeed a grave error when we failed to intervene on the side of the Allies the moment Bulgaria attacked Serbia. I

Roumania seeks to provoke no one, but I cannot believe she will lower her colors before the violation of her sovereignty rights. Her army is bubbling with patriotism and confidence, All the men were provided with new kits, and on Sunday they went on leave. toria Park. Some time ago the bronze bust was hurled into the lake and last night the soldiers wrecked the costly and it is certain that those who would have her pursue a course

#### **GERMAN ATTACKS ON THE FRENCH FRONT** ARE LARGELY IN THE NATURE OF A BLUFF

#### SIX PERSONS WERE KILLED IN AIR RAID IN ITALY

London, Feb. 15 .- Reuter's correand wounding others.

#### MORE ALIENS HAD TO WALK THE PLANK

PARIS, Feb. 15.-A semi-official communication issued here affirms that the frequent German attacks on the French front during the last few days, while intended to give the imspondent at Vicenza, Italy, says that pression of great activity, were in reality only local actions, hostile aeroplanes bombarded the Italian town of Schio, 15 miles from without consequence and without gain. After citing instances Vicenza, yestrday, killing six persons to substantiate this statement, the communication says:

"The same is true of the attacks east of the Tapure to the Somme-Py lines. We could in our turn undertake similar operations, and strive for useless successes, but we take good care to refrain from doing so, because the gains to be obtained Medicine Hat, Feb. 15.- About a are doubtful when compared with the sacrifices involved, and score of Anstrians and Germans were dismissed by various employers here because these altempts invariably result in reducing the value