

THE DAILY MAIL

Published every afternoon (except Sunday) at 327-329 Queen Street, Fredericton, by THE MAIL PRINTING COMPANY. Subscription Price, \$4 per year by carrier; \$2 per year by mail. Telephone 67.

TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 1918

THE ITALIAN VICTORY.

The defeat of the Austrian army by the Italians and their Allies on the river Piave is undoubtedly the greatest achievement of the Entente during the present year. The defeat of the Austrians, according to the latest reports, has been turned into a rout. Harrassed on all sides by the victorious Italians, the enemy has suffered enormous losses. The Austrian dead cover the ground in extraordinary numbers and the Italians have captured at least forty thousand prisoners. The Austrians, in their retreat, according to advices from Rome, have sacrificed an enormous quantity of arms and ammunition.

The Austrian offensive, carefully planned as it was, has undoubtedly been an absolute failure. Some success was undoubtedly achieved in the first stage of the attack, but the Italians and their British and French allies were not taken by surprise. They had made every preparation for the big drive and when the proper time arrived they struck at the enemy and they struck hard. The Italians were well trained for the combat, their morale was excellent, their reserves were handled with masterly skill, and have presented an obstacle to the Austrian advance that could not be surmounted. The Austrians, goaded on by their German allies, staked everything on the drive, and they have lost. The country is seething with discontent, and the defeat coming at such a time may result in a national collapse. Following the resignation of the cabinet, a revolution at home may be the outcome, and if so, Germany will be left to play the game single-handed.

The great victory won by the Italians is bound to have a very stimulating effect on the Allied cause on other fronts. Already the Americans have nearly a million men on the western front, which is more than enough to offset the total losses sustained by the Allies in the recent heavy fighting. The German losses, on the other hand, cannot be made good, and she must face the situation with greatly weakened forces. The outlook so far as the Allies are concerned, was never so hopeful, and there is every reason to believe that the close of another three months will witness the beginning of the end of the great struggle.

VICTORY ASSURED.

With American troops pouring into France, as General Smuts puts it, "not in thousands and tens of thousands, but in hundreds of thousands," France sees victory assured. The Echo de Paris says:

"American troops have for the first time submitted to the decisive proof. Every witness of their behavior will agree that they triumphed. Henceforward the United States is no longer a military power of unknown value. The American soldiers, whose numbers we know to be practically without limit, are of the finest quality. The number of effectives brought to France in April and May proves on the other hand that Atlantic communications are assured to such a point that every day on the average several thousand men can land in French ports. The result is the apparently paradoxical conclusion that although the enemy is today nearer Paris than he has ever been since the first battle of the Marne, our victory never appeared more certain."

New York Times: This drive along the Piave is a drive for Venice. The other half of the drive was a movement down from the mountains into the plains. The Austrians are held fast in the mountains and apparently they are hopelessly held; their bulletins speak of repulsing Italian and British "attacks." How did this amazing state of things come about? There is a mystery somewhere, but it is evident as a partial explanation, that General Diaz's air service enabled him to know every detail of the Austrian plans and that his reception of them was almost in the nature of a counter

drive. It is permissible to suspect, indeed, that he was himself planning a drive and that this Austrian attack was a desperate attempt to forestall him. If so, it may turn out to be a ruinous one for Austria. The news from the Alps and the Piave is the most cheering we have had from any part of the battlefield in many a day.

Hamilton Times: Rev. Dr. Murray, of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Toronto, devoted the Sunday evening service to a message of comfort and good cheer to those whose sons are leaving for war. Dr. Murray finds some people more depressed by the prospects of their sons in war than the facts warrant. He quoted official statistics as to the percentage of chances each recruit takes, spoke particularly of the great improvements of sanitation and reduced rates of sickness and disease in this war. The Toronto Star says that more of that sort of addresses should be given. There is no need to worry here when the men at the front are not worrying.

The announcement is made that the United States now has an army of nine hundred thousand men in France. The United States is three thousand miles from France, and the transportation of such a mighty army that distance across the sea, all within a year, is certainly a wonderful achievement. Nothing to equal it in the way of a transportation stunt has been put on since the days of Moses.

A few more such victories as that won by the Italians over the Austrians on the Piave and the end of the great war will be in sight.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

This is the time of year when a careless man is constantly mislaying his heart and fancying he has "lost" it.

Somehow a man will trust almost anybody's judgment sooner than that of the woman who showed hers by marrying him.

If silk is really going to be cheaper than cotton or wool, a woman will at last have the delightful sensation of satisfying her vanity and her conscience at the same time.

Money doesn't make the man, but a little thing like that doesn't worry the man who makes the money.

If a man is satisfied to make both ends meet, he is sure to have a wife who thinks he ought to make them lap over.

Oh, well, in wartime one must make allowances; perhaps this is the best June the weather bureau has in stock.

When the German people "holler" for food, they are invited to "look at the map." This enables them to hold out until the next meal time.

Besides teaching the advantages and sources of cornmeal, the war is rapidly educating the world as to the merits and versatility of rice—to say nothing of bran.

Have You the Navy League Button?

TRIPLE SUICIDE AT QUEBEC

Quebec, June 25—That a triple suicide explains the sudden disappearance of Miss Emilia Fradette and her two little nephews, is the opinion of the police and the family. Miss Fradette left Levis last Friday to go to the island of Orleans and detectives claim that some persons saw the young woman suddenly leap from the wharf into the St. Lawrence, dragging the two little children by the hand to their death. A child's straw hat has been recovered on the beach near the island of Orleans and every indication points out to a triple suicide. Search has been begun for the recovery of the bodies.

Quebec, June 25—The body of a drowned man was fished out of the river at Rimouski yesterday and it is supposed to be that of a Norwegian sailor named Christensen, living on the north shore.

DON'T USE THE KNIFE

That's the barbarous way of treating corns—dangerous too—any corn can be removed painlessly by Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor in twenty-four hours. Use only Putnam's Extractor, 25c. at all dealers.

PERSONAL.

Dr. and Mrs. Dash of Hillsboro spent Sunday in the city the guests of Mr. W. M. Burns.

Have You the Navy League Button?

IRISH PROBLEM DISCUSSED IN THE HOUSE

London, June 25—An important debate was opened in the House of Commons today by Sir Edward Carson, the Ulster leader, who, in accordance with a previous arrangement changed his attitude in regard to the government's policy in Ireland, with special reference to the recent proclamation of the Lord Lieutenant and the recruiting scheme.

The occasion had been watched with much interest as it was known that Edward Shortt would make his first speech as chief secretary for Ireland, while it was also expected generally that premier Lloyd George would have an important declaration regarding home rule and conscription. Anticipation that the Irish Nationalists would avail themselves of the occasion and return to Westminster after an absence of several weeks was not fulfilled, and the debate lacked some interest on that account. The nationalists however, have no intention of making their withdrawal from parliament permanent. John Dillon the Irish leader, declared Monday that they would return when the anti-conscription conference in Dublin had concluded its sittings and a favorable moment had arrived.

Several members favoring the establishment of federal governments within the United Kingdom were notified to submit a resolution for the occasion of such subordinate legislation, and the Premier will receive during the course of the day a deputation of members representing all parties who support the proposed measure.

Have You the Navy League Button?



SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Retaining Wall at Fort Dufferin, St. John, N.B.," will be received at this office until 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, July 17, 1918, for the reconstruction and repairs of portions of a retaining wall at Fort Dufferin, St. John, N.B.

Plans and forms of contract can be seen and specification and forms of tender obtained at this Department and at the offices of the District Engineers at St. John, N.B., and Halifax, N.S.

Tenders will not be considered unless made upon printed forms supplied by Department and in accordance with conditions contained therein.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent of the amount of the tender.

Note.—Blue prints can be obtained at this Department by depositing an accepted bank cheque for the sum of \$20, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, which will be returned if the intending bidder submit a regular bid.

By order, R. C. DESROCHERS, Secretary, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, June 21, 1918.

NOTICE

To all women interested in food regulations and war-time cooking: Come TUESDAY, June 25th, at 7.30 p.m., at the City Council Chamber, to hear what has been done and new plans proposed. Food Conservation Committee.

To Dog Owners

Dog Owners who have not yet paid their dog taxes will please take notice that after June 29th all unpaid dog taxes will be handed to the Police Magistrate for collection. G. R. PERKINS, City Treasurer. 6-25 61

NOTICE OF MEETING MUNICIPALITY OF YORK.

The semi-annual Session of the County Council of the Municipality of York will convene at the Council Chamber, County Court House, Fredericton, on TUESDAY, the 2nd Day of July, at 2 p.m.

A. O. GLEN, Secretary-Treasurer

WANTED—A general maid; family of three; good wages to competent girl. Apply Mrs. P. M. MacDonald, 222 Waterloo Row.

WANTED—At once, a shingle buncher. Apply to E. Burt Lumber Co., Burt's Corner. 6-20 61

WANTED—A kitchen girl at the York Hotel. Apply at the York Hotel.

John J. Weddall & Son Have just received All Wool Sweaters in Plain and Combination Colors. Also: Silk Sweaters in all the new weaves. Shetland Sweaters in Combination. John J. Weddall & Son

Mr. Potato Bug is on his Annual Rampage. The bug season is here and it is up to you to protect your potatoes and garden truck. Let us help you do it, as we have now on hand a full stock of Paris Green, Bug Death Arsenoid and Blue Vitrol. Lime in barrels and Casks. Land Plaster etc. Mail orders shipped same day as received. R. Chestnut & Sons WHOLESALERS AND RETAILERS THE HARDWARE PEOPLE

FOR THE BATH JOHNSON'S BABY POWDER Careful Mothers Always Select JOHNSON'S BABY POWDER After Baby's Bath

STAPLES' PHARMACY ALONZO STAPLES, Prop. Agency for Miller Standard Rubber Goods.

LAST NOTICE TO WATER CONSUMERS. Water Consumers will please take notice that Saturday, June 29th, is the last day for paying Water Rates to take advantage of the discount. G. R. PERKINS, City Treasurer. 6-22 61

LABORERS WANTED. Several good laborers wanted for big construction job in Nova Scotia, 32 1/2 cents per hour, besides bonus overtime if required. Transportation furnished from St. John. Apply J. F. RICHARDS, 274 Prince Wm. Street, - St. John

Old England at Your Door at THE EMPRESS HOTEL VICTORIA, B.C. Quiet lanes—picturesque homes—a city of gardens and almost tropical foliage—an equable climate—perfect roads for motoring—seaside courses which make for real golf—trout and salmon fishing—perfect service at reasonable rates—a hotel whose broad verandas give glorious views of the Straits of San Juan de Fuca. REACHED via CANADIAN PACIFIC ROCKIES Only four hours by steamer from Vancouver or Seattle through land-locked passages. GET TO KNOW CANADA BETTER. Communicate with N. R. DesBRISAY, District Passenger Agent, St. John, N. B.