

SRENCH LINE HOLDS AS SOLID AS A AGAINST HUN ATTACKS

Germans Have Hurled 25 Divisions Against the French in Last Four Days and Suffered Heavy Losses---The Line Will Not Budge.

(Canadian Press' direct wire.)

With the French Army in France, April 8- Twenty-five divisions have been used by the Germans in the last four days in efforts to break through the French line and reach the railroad running south from Amiens. All attacks have been checked by the wonderful resistance of the French, some of whom were thrown into the line as soon as they arrived on the battle-The Germans are obtaining only insignificant results in field. their attempts to advance, compared with the number of troops engaged, which were at least three times more than the number of French defenders. The cheerfulness and confidence with which the French troos go into action is most remarkable. They feel they are better than the enemy and make light of the German superiority in numbers. The French command confidence with which the French troops go into action is most remarkable. They feel they are better than the enemy and make light of the German superiority in numbers.

POWERFUL TRENCH MORTARS USED BY HUNS FAIL EVEN TO MAKE A DENT IN FRENCH LINE 140th Battalion and are now engaged

Powerful trench mortars have made their appearance behind the German infantry, but up to this time have not influenced the situation to any extent, and in some cases the guns England and will arrive here in a day have been unable to approach within rifle range.

On the other hand an enormous number of machine guns pour a most intense barrage into the French lines, and at the same time German infantry make efforts under cover of this fire to get closer to the French line in small groups and estab-

lish pockets from which to leap forward at the proper moment. This procedure has also been adopted by the French. The Germans are now resuming massed attacks in which their men come under the direct fire of French machine guns and 75's.

THE FRENCH BIG GUNS CUT WIDE LANES IN THE RANKS OF THE ADVANCING GERMANS

The 75's do terrific execution, cutting wide lanes through the enemy ranks. The enemy commanders appear to pay little attention to this slaughter, their aim being to reach the objective whatever the cost. Late last night the enemy again attacked in the region of Grivesnes, but was repulsed sanguinarily and forced back to his own lines with greatly diminished numhers. Further south, in the vicinity of Noyon, they at first succeeded in entering the French positions, but later after severe fighting were compelled to retreat, leaving the position un-



Harry Harrison Arrive at Halifax-Other Marysville News.

Marysville, Apr. 8. J At the special seeting of the newly elected town council held on Tuesday evening last he suggestion was made that it might be advisable to consolidate several of Herr Von Jagow Confirms the he civic offices under the supervision of the town marshal and that his re uneration be increased accordingly Mr. Harrison Eno has returned rom a visit to Nappan, N. S.

Mr. John Chisholm sang a very pleasing solo at the evening service of the Methodist church yesterday. Several tenants of the dwellings for merly owned by the Nashwaak Pulp & Paper Company and recently pur-chased by the Canadian Cottons, Ltd., have received notice to vacate their premises the first of May. The inten-tion of the management is to reserve the dwellings for the employes. Mr. Joseph Dolphin received word Saturday evening of the death of his father which occurred at Montreal on

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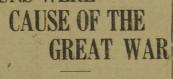
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average per Sunday of 116 in attend- mented the school on its fine showing ance and \$5.14 collection. Mr. S. J. and asked for still better results dur Hallett, the superintendent, compli- ing the next quarter



Statements Made by Prince Lichnowsky, a German Diplomat.

London, April 8.— German papers containing the text of the observations which the former German foreign secretary, Herr Von Jagow, made in the reply to the memorandum of Prince Lichnowsky, wherein the former Ger-man ambassador to London blamed

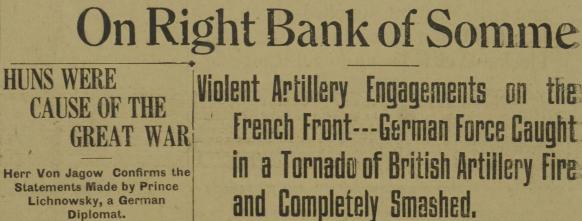
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was ready to enter into friendly agree-ments with Germany. She was "ready

Commenting on Captain Persius's statement in the Berlin Tageblatt that r two. "an understanding ought to be easier Mr. Hillman Matthews left this now that we have heard from the two

Mr. Filling and Matthews left this how sources, Von Jagow and Lich morning for St. John. Miss Jane Robinson of Boston and formerly of this place, is visiting believed in wide circles in Germany. the Westminster Gazette sav

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(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

PARIS, April 8 .--- Violent artillery engagements occurred last night, especially on the left bank of the Oise river, says today's officia Ireport. No infantry actions on the principal battle front are reported.

LONDON, April 8 .- On the southern bank of the Somme the British last night made a small advance, it is announced officially. The statement says: "We advanced our line slightly during the night on the south bank of the Somme. North of the Somme a few prisoners and a machine gun were captured. The enemy's artilelry has shown increased activity by us. during the night on the whole British battlefront."

TWO ATTEMPTS BY THE HUNS TO ADVANCE THEIR LINES NORTH OF ALBERT WERE FAILURES

With the British Army in France, April 8.-Attacks and counter attacks continue to spring up at various points along the British battle front. Twice last evening and again this Mr. and Mrs. A. D. MacPherson rements with Germany. She was "ready ceived a telegram last evening from Halifax stating that their son. Ned, had arrived there in company with Pte. Harry Harrison. Both of these young men went overseas with the 140th Battalion and are now engaged on a transport plying between Liver-pool and Canadian ports. They ar-hoe liver was the origination of the sector north and south of Albert, and each time they in the sector north and south of Albert, and each time they failed. At two oclock this morning an enemy force advanced for an attack in the vicinity of Bucquoy, north of Albert. The Germans were seen coming while they were still a mile away; and the British artillery and machine guns put down such an honelessly entangled in the network intense barrage among them that the projected assault was stopped. Some time afterwards the enemy reformde his forces and made another effort, but this was checked without the use of infantry.

ADVANCING ENEMY INFANTRY HAD TO FACE A WITHERING MACHINE GUN AND RIFLE FIRE

One of the attacks last evening was delivered southwest of Albert, where the enemy had been making determined efforts o grasp a hold on the Albert-Amiens railway. Under cover of a heavy machine gun barrage the German infantry surged forward against the British line, but was met with such a withering rifle and machine gun fire that it was compelled to retire.

Another onslaught was attempted near Serre, south of Hebuterne. Two short but intense periods of barrage fire were put down on the British defences. A t7.30 o'clock the German inantry rushed forward in heavy force. As they advanced they were caught in a tornado of British artillery, which plower mercilessly through their ranks and completely smashed them.

These attacks were continuations of their strenuous atempts to get themselves out of a nasty position in which they find themselves in this region and in which they have been since the big drive was stopped the last few days of March.

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changed.

STEEL MAKING IN **CZERNIN PLAYS** CAPE BRETON Troopers Played an Active Part in the De-THE GAME

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