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ALLIES MAY SPLIT THE GERMAN FORCES IN FRANCE

DRIVING UNYIELDING WEDGE INTO CENTRE OF POSITION--GERMANS DEFEATED IN POLAND

UNYIELDING WEDGE DRIVEN INTO HEART OF GERMAN FORCE

ALLIES ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE RAPID ADVANCE IN SHORT TIME--THE RUSSIANS HAVE THE SITUATION WELL IN HAND.

(Special to The Daily News)
London, Dec. 12.—Twenty-one Victoria Crosses have been awarded since the outbreak of the war. All along the front the Germans are showing signs of discomfort. The Allies' lines are being gradually pushed forward. Slowly but surely an unyielding wedge is being driven into the heart of the enemy. The Belgian air is full of rumors about Allied victories and German retreatment. The opinion in general is that the Allies will begin definite operations within a short time

and that the passage across West Flanders will likely be swift. The enemy plans to make a great stand before Brussels in the course of a day or two. The Daily Mail's correspondent expects to announce the new disposition of the Russian forces in West Poland to be of such a character as to keep the Germans on ground disadvantageous to them and at a distance from the railway and their lines of communication. It is expected that the farther the Germans are drawn into Poland the more difficult will become their transport problems.

RIDICULOUS VERDICT OPINION OF JUDGE

Civil Action Pending as Result of Decision in Case of Rex vs. Harris

Mr. A. M. Manson, acting for Daisy Lee, whose money was stolen from Comox Avenue on September 10 last, applied to the court this morning to make an order that the money in dispute be held in court. He had instructions to bring a civil action against Lily Harris for recovery of the money.

Mr. Patmore, who was acting for the accused, reminded His Lordship that in charging the jury yesterday he had told them that the verdict would decide the ownership of the money, and in his opinion an order of restitution should be made.

His Lordship: "I think that Verdict yesterday was ridiculous—to tell the truth. I perhaps made too wide a statement to the jury regarding the effect of their verdict; but my opinion is that it would be quite reasonable to pay the money into the court to the credit of the civil action referred to."

After a discussion in which Messrs. Fisher, Manson, Patmore and Peters were involved, His Lordship agreed to let the matter stand over until Monday morning.

APPOINT MINISTER TO THE VATICAN

(Special to The Daily News.)
London, Dec. 12.—It has been officially announced that Sir Henry Howard has been appointed British minister to the Vatican.

HOCKEY GAME.

(Special to The Daily News)
Vancouver, Dec. 12.—In the ice hockey game played here last night the Vancouver team beat the Victoria team by 5 to 3.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Morning worship, 11 a. m.; subject, "Devotion Under Difficulties. Sunday School, 2:30. Evening worship, 7:30; subject, "The appeal to Reason."

ADDRESS ON MUSKEG.

A. M. Tomlinson gave an address last night before the Horticultural Society on the treatment of muskeg for garden purposes. He recommended putting a main drain three or four feet deep and closed in. Laterals should then be run at a depth of about a foot or foot and a half. After draining the moss should be burned. Lime should be mixed with the muskeg in the fall and fertilizers applied in the spring. Coal ashes were good but wood ashes were better. A portion of sand is also good. Some of the sub-soil and clay should also be mixed in each year. The use of barnyard manure and artificial fertilizers were also recommended.

Latest novelties in Ladies' Collars and Fashionable Neckwear.—Wallace's. tf.

Ladies' Desks—A gift that is appreciated. Fumed, Golden and Mission Finish. At Geo. D. Tite's. 282tf

Ladies' Furs, Muffs and Stoles; medium prices. Wallace's. tf

***** CHANCE FOR BUSINESS. *****

We haven't been hearing much about Christmas so far this season, and yet Christmas will be here in less than two weeks. Do you realize this? Why is it that we find such apathy among the general public with regard to the great holiday? This question can be best answered by the merchants asking themselves what they have done to get the people thinking of Christmas. What better method can be adopted than a generous use of the newspapers to tender suggestions about the lines that are here, the arrivals of which at one time were problematical. In newspaper advertising this year, so far as Christmas goods are concerned, the dealer who gets his copy in the earliest, and places his goods temptingly before the readers of the papers, stands to gain the most. The usual supplies of some goods have not come through and the average housewife knows this. She will be keenly on the lookout for the first announcements which inform her of the state of the markets, and which answer the questions she wants to know about supplies. As to boosting the "Shop at Home" spirit, therefore, what better way than to run some good conversational and informative talks in the newspapers. One swallow doesn't make a summer, and one advertisement will not turn the trick; neither will the efforts of one merchant produce the thing most desired. The more Christmas advertisements that appear the greater will be the interest taken in Christmas buying. Let everybody join in and help the campaign along. Let everybody advertise, and don't forget that The Daily News has the largest circulation in Northern B. C. *****

BURROWES VS. HARRISON THE TYEE LAND DISPUTE

A civil case of interest to many local people was before the Court yesterday. The transactions out of which this dispute arose were entered into in 1911, when Mrs. Burrowes gave Mr. Harrison a sum of \$100 to take up an option on land in McNeill Valley, understanding that she was going in on the "ground floor" with him. The plaintiff contends that it was not until two and a half years after the transaction that she could obtain a statement of affairs and that when she did do so she found that a large number of promotion shares had been divided amongst the defendant and a few friends and that she had been left out in the cold.

The defendant's contention is that there was no such original understanding—that it was absurd of the plaintiff to think that such a small sum as \$400 would swing a deal which involved at the time over \$43,000.

Messrs. Williams & Manson appeared for the plaintiffs and Messrs. W. E. Fisher and F. S. Peters, K. C., for the defendant.

Mr. Williams read a number of questions and answers from the examination of Mr. Harrison at the preliminary hearing. Mr. Burrowes, husband of the plaintiff, was the first witness called. He remembered the full particulars of the transaction very clearly and was not at all shaken by Mr. Peter's cheerful attempts to confuse him during cross-examination. His story is as follows: About April 26, 1911, he met the defendant on the street. The latter mentioned an excellent land speculation he had run across and said that he would like to handle it himself but couldn't. He wanted witness to go in with him. Witness said he had no money and referred him to Mrs. Burrowes. Harrison then asked for a loan and for this witness referred him to Mrs. Burrowes. The loan was arranged at 5 per cent per month interest—just one month—and when witness delivered the cheque the defendant spoke about the land again and arranged to see Mrs. Burrowes at her home and discuss it. This he did the following Saturday afternoon, and received the cheque on Monday.

Mr. Burrowes was present at the interview and he says that defendant's outlook was most optimistic. He told Mrs. Burrowes that this was the chance of a lifetime—she might make a little fortune—it was a ten times better speculation than Prince Rupert lots. Witness heard the defendant say that he had come to Mrs. Burrowes first—there was no one else in with him and he only intended to ask a few intimate friends. He said also that if the plaintiff would put in \$400 he would get the land cheap and she

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Christmas postals and cards; medium prices. Wallace's. tf.

Rockers and Easy Chairs. Big Xmas reductions at George D. Tite's. 282tf

Fifteen ladies' coats, latest styles, each of special design. Regular price, \$15, \$18 and \$20. All for \$10.50 each Friday and Saturday at Jabour's. 286-288

RUSSIANS IN POLAND HAVE ROUTED GERMANS WITH LOSS

ALSO REPULSED FIERCE ATTACKS SOUTH OF CRACOW--RUSSIANS ARE CONTINUING OFFENSIVE MOVEMENT WITH GOOD SUCCESS.

Petrograd, Dec. 12.—In an official dispatch issued yesterday it is announced that in the direction of Mlawa the Germans on December 10 kept up a strong offensive action throughout the whole day and night, but we succeeded in repulsing them.

Our troops finally took the offensive and gave chase to three German columns, which in some places retreated in disorder.

In the region north of Lowicz the enemy made some fierce attacks on the night of December

9-10. Throughout the whole following day we repulsed these attacks and inflicted enormous losses on the Germans. We have repelled all the seven attacks made during a murderous fire in the region south of Cracow on December 10. We are still continuing our offensive attitude. Stern resistance has been offered by the Germans.

We have captured several guns and matrailluses, and as many as 2,000 prisoners.

There is no important change on the remainder of the front.

FORMER LOCAL MAN GOING TO THE FRONT

The following was clipped from the Fredericton Gleaner and will be of local interest:

"Mr. Dawes Gilmour, who for some time was a resident of Fredericton and whose wife is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Edwards, here, is now at Toronto, where he is taking a course to qualify for a commission in the Duke of York's Canadian Hussars. Mr. Gilmour is a son of Senator Gilmour and expects to go to the front with the third Canadian contingent."

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmour spent time in Prince Rupert in the early days and will be well remembered by the old-timers. Mr. Jack Edwards is a brother of Mrs. Gilmour.

A VERY NEAT JOB.

Frosty weather is the plumbers' harvest, and they are pulling in the shekels. Harry Hanson, the Reliable Plumber, is the first to install an electric pipe-throwing machine, and it not only saves cost but makes a neater job. Yesterday the Rand Block was frozen up solid and the pipes lay under floors in behind plastered partitions. Ordinarily this would be an expensive job but Harry's electric machine did the trick without drawing a nail or lifting a board. He just passed an electric current over the pipe and in a short time the frost was all gone.

Visit our toy department. All toys were bought before the war and all are reasonably priced.—Wallace's. tf.

TELKWA SHOOTING CASE--MORRIS GETS THREE YEAR TERM

Sam Morris, the negro who was found guilty of shooting Rod McDonald on July 15 near Telkwa was brought up before Justice Clement for sentence yesterday afternoon.

Mr. A. M. Manson, on behalf of the prisoner, urged that a corrective and not a punitive sentence be imposed. The prisoner was not a criminal by instinct but had been extremely foolish and he felt that the ends of justice would be served by the imposition of a sentence sufficient to give him a lesson.

His Lordship, addressing the prisoner, said: "Morris, Mr. Manson has urged everything possible in your favor. It is only by good luck that you are not here on trial for your life. I believe you are something of a good-for-nothing. You are sentenced to the penitentiary for three years."

SILVER PRESENTATION.

A presentation of a set of silver spoons was made last evening at Bishop Du Vernet's house to Mr. and Mrs. Melliar on behalf of St. Andrew's congregation and choir, Canon Rix being spokesman for the congregation and Mr. W. E. Fisher for the choir. Other speakers were Mr. W. E. Burritt, Mr. C. C. Purdy, Rev. W. E. Col-lison and the bishop, all referring to Mr. Melliar's long and faithful services as choirmaster.

Twelve ladies' suits at \$7.50 for Friday and Saturday, at Jabour's. 186-288

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

St. Andrew's Society held its annual meeting last night in its rooms on Second Avenue. There was a good attendance of members and the reports for the year were very encouraging.

There will be further improvements made in the rooms for the comfort of the members. The officers elected were as follows: Honorary president, J. W. Stewart; president, S. D. Macdonald; first vice-president, J. H. Kelly; second vice-president, W. L. Dennis; secretary, Charles Dennis; treasurer, J. D. Meikle; financial secretary, Malcolm McDonald; physician, Dr. Neil McNeill; solicitor, A. M. Manson; chaplain, Rev. Mr. Grant; piper, Joseph Sturgeon; warden, John Campbell; board of directors, John Wood, G. P. McColl, G. Abbott, W. L. Martin and W. E. Williscroft.

SPECIAL--SATURDAY ONLY.

Braid's Ideal Blend Tea and Coffee in 3-lb. packages for \$1. Fuller's Grocery.

Toys—all kinds—Wallace's. tf.
Just arrived, handsome new designs of Carpet Squares. Special prices at Geo. D. Tite's. 282tf

Friday and Saturday CASH SPECIALS AT George P. McColl's
The Famous "White Champion Highland Spuds \$1.50 per 100 lb. Sack
Good Hard Onions, 4 lb. 10c
Jap Oranges, 50c per Box
Braid's Tea, 3 lbs for \$1.00
FOR CASH ONLY--AT George P. McColl's

Don't Argue! Go to Cole's Segar Store
WITH EVERY 50c PURCHASE YOU GET A COUPON
\$280.00 Motor Cycle First prize
\$95.00 Victor Victrola Second Prize
Given Away Free on New Year Day
PIPES TO FIT ANY FACE

BE SURE AND DO YOUR Xmas Shopping EARLY

If you wait until the last moment you will be unable to get the little special things you are looking for. Come in today.

Our store is full of the very things you require. Our Cut Glass, Silver, Jewelry, Leather Goods, Toilet Articles, Etc., are the best to be found anywhere and the prices are moderate.

W. Wark & Son
Third Avenue
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WANTED.

People to come and see our immense stock of Second Hand Furniture. We must dispose of it at once. Prices to suit everybody. Corner of Third Avenue and Seventh Phones No. 86 and 465.

AUCTION SALE

COMPLETE FURNISHINGS OF 6-ROOM MODERN RESIDENCE TO BE SLAUGHTERED AT AUCTION ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15
Quarter-Sawn Solid Golden Oak Dining Set, Musical Instruments, Carpets and Rugs, Office Safe, Brass Beds complete, Dressers and Stands, Steel Range and Heater, Complete Kitchen Outfit, Home Preserved Fruits and Other Relishes, Grindstone, Carpenter Tools and many other useful articles all at your own price. Absolutely no reserve or restrictions. Owner leaving city. No better Xma presents than these useful articles--and YOUR PRICE OUR PRICE.
Sale starts promptly at 3 P M., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, at 416 Green Street, directly opposite Hospital. Goods on display any day prior to sale. Phone Red 337.

FRANK L. LANDES
Auctioneer