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## CANADIANS IN WORST OF RECENT FIGHTING

### GERMANS ADVANCE 500 YARDS AND LOSE 30,000 MEN—GERMAN SUBMARINE SUNK

#### CANADIANS DID GREAT WORK IN ST. ELOI FIGHT

Repulsed Enemy and Captured Seven Craters, Taking Prisoners—Huns had been Without Food Four Days.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, April 10.—The Canadian troops were in the hardest of the fighting last week, which was the most strenuous experienced on the British front since the battle of Givenchy.

The Germans exploded three mines and attempted to rush the British positions at St. Eloi, but the Canadians in a counter rush captured seven shell craters and compelled the Germans to surrender the group.

#### Great Work by Canadians.

After heavy shelling day and night for a week, the Germans last Tuesday made three attempts to storm the Canadian positions, but were slaughtered wholesale by shrapnel and machine guns. The prisoners taken by the Canadians had been without food for four days.

#### Four Steamers Gone.

Four more unarmed British steamers have been torpedoed without warning. They were the Silksworthal, 4,780 tons; Zafra, 3,578 tons; the Glenalmond, 2,888 tons, and the Yonne, 2,562 tons. Four of the crew of the Silksworthal were drowned.

#### AMERICAN FORCES TWO DAYS BEHIND MEXICANS

(Special to The Daily News.)  
San Antonio, April 10.—General Pershing's advance column is now only two days' march behind Villa and an engagement is expected about the end of the week.

#### CARNIVAL

The British Booth committee, who will have the exclusive sale of fancy work at the Red Cross "Carnival of the Allies," to be held April 24 and 25 at the Agricultural Hall, request that the ladies of the city and district donate all fancy work that they feel they can reasonably spare for the noble cause from now on until that date, sending the same to Mrs. Frizzell's Store on Third Avenue, and to the Prince Rupert Grocery, corner of Fulton and Sixth Street.

**WESTHOLME**  
The House of Classical Productions.  
The Last Chapter of "THE DIAMOND FROM THE SKY" Chapter 30th.  
"AN AMERICAN EARL"—Don't Miss this Wonderful Episode.  
"TOPICAL BUDGET"—Latest War News.  
"REPENTENCE"—Drama in 2 acts.  
"SILVER CANDLESTICKS"—Two-act Drama.  
"AMBROSE'S LITTLE HATCHET"—Roaring Keystone Comedy.  
Coming April 17th, the great serial, "GRAPT", 16 Episodes, Each Episode a Complete Story in 2 acts.

#### GERMANS LOSE VERY HEAVILY AROUND VERDUN

Latest Failure Cost Enemy 30,000 Men—French Enthusiastic Over Success—Hun Sub. Sunk.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Paris, April 10.—An advance of five hundred yards on the German western front is admitted to have been made in the vicinity of Deadman's Hill. Bethincourt has been evacuated but the French salient still extends into the German lines.

Eighty thousand Teutons attacked on both sides of the French positions in an effort to compel the abandonment of Hill 304. The French line between Avoncourt and Cumieres has now been straightened out. The Germans were repulsed along the remainder of a front of thirteen miles.

This failure of the latest German hammer-stroke at Verdun has caused the greatest enthusiasm in Paris and France generally. Two German army corps took part in the attack.

Bethincourt is still commanded by the French guns. The German losses yesterday are estimated at 30,000.

#### German Sub. Rammed.

Petrograd, April 10.—The destroyer Strogie rammed and sunk a German submarine in the Black Sea near the spot where the hospital ship Portugal was torpedoed.

#### COL. CLAYTON GUEST OF CANADIAN CLUB

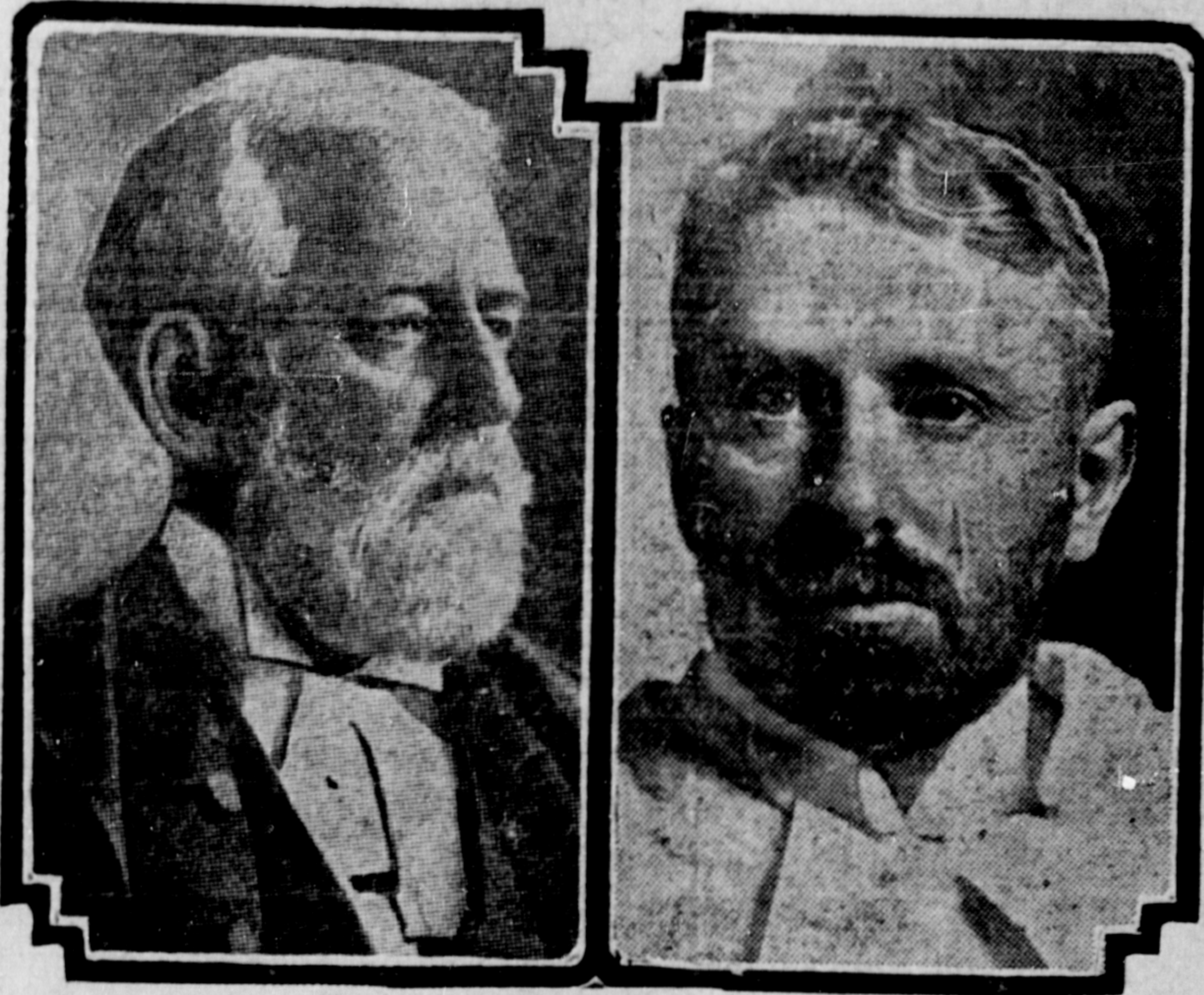
Bishop Du Vernet, president of the Canadian Club, presided at the luncheon in the Central Hotel in honor of Col. Clayton on Saturday afternoon. Col. Kirkpatrick of the 11th C. M. R., and Major Bullock-Webster were present.

After an excellent luncheon had been disposed of, during which Bandsman Alec Gray of the 11th C. M. R., acted as pianist, the president called upon Col. Clayton to address the gathering, introducing him as a distinguished citizen of Prince Rupert.

After thanking the club for its invitation, Col. Clayton described the voyage across the Atlantic and the kindly reception accorded the Canadian troops on their arrival in England, also describing how the transports were protected against submarine attacks. After telling of the wonderful organizing power which was being shown by the people of the old land in the great crisis, he went on to deal with the spirit displayed by the people of France, telling how the women plowed the fields while the men fight. He described France as "a nation at war."

Col. Clayton was heartily thanked upon resuming his seat.

Grand Shakespearean Festival by the students of the High School in the Westholme Theatre April 20th. General admission 25 cents, reserved seats 50 cents.



COMMISSIONERS WHO WILL PROBE THE KYTE CHARGES  
Sir William Meredith (left) and Justice Lyman Duff (right) have been chosen by the Borden Government to investigate the Shell Committee scandal.

#### GERMAN PLOTTERS BUSY AT SHANGHAI

(Special to The Daily News.)

Vancouver, April 10.—The C. P. R. liner Empress of Russia, which has been released by the Admiralty from her naval duties, has arrived here to resume her trans-Pacific service.

She reports the discovery of a wholesale German plot, with headquarters at Shanghai, to create a native revolt. Thousands of plotters have been arrested.

#### DOLLY VARDEN COMPANY SHUTS DOWN ROADWORK

Mitchell Albert has returned from Alice Arm, and was interviewed by The Daily News this morning regarding the wages dispute at the Dolly Varden mine. Mr. Albert states that a wire had been received from the Dolly Varden Mining Company of Chicago, demanding that the work be shut down at once. The contract with the company calls for the payment of \$3.00 per day, and with this the men are not satisfied. Mr. Albert stated that he had always paid union wages and was quite willing to meet the situation but the mining company ruled otherwise.

Major Bullock-Webster and Col. Kirkpatrick, of the 11th Canadian Mounted Rifles, left for Prince George on a recruiting expedition this morning.

Repairs of all descriptions, handy work in and around houses, gardens laid out, Phone Fitz, 583.

#### COL. CLAYTON TELLS OF HIS EXPERIENCES

In the Anglican Church last evening Lieut.-Col. W. B. Clayton of the Canadian Dental Corps, delivered an address on his experiences in Europe. After describing the landing in England, he dwelt upon the attitude of the British people towards the colonial forces, pointing out that the present time of struggle is drawing the various parts of the Empire more closely together.

In describing camp life in England he said it was very similar to what is experienced here. The speaker remarked that Caesar's camp, where some of the Canadians were located, still shows signs of the ancient trenches which were made in 55, B. C. Socially, the soldiers are well taken care of, clubs, etc., having been formed for the benefit of the men, while the convalescent men back from the front are taken for auto rides regularly and everything is done to promote their comfort and wellbeing.

Col. Clayton dwelt on the good work being done by the nurses and described the funeral services for Nurse Cavell in St. Paul's, London, at which 600 nurses were present, "any one of whom would have willingly played the part of the martyr nurse."

In conclusion, he described the French nation as the greatest in the war, and related incidents to show how the French women are bravely facing the future, while their husbands, sons and brothers are in the trenches.

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#### NOTHING LEFT TO CHANCE BY PROFIT-TAKING TRIUMVIRATE

DUMMY COMPANIES MADE VERY CERTAIN OF THEIR CASH, BUT DID NOT WORRY ABOUT SUPPLYING THE FUSES—GOVERNMENT IN AN AWKWARD CORNER

Ottawa, April 6.—Now that the tumult and the shouting have clarified, so to speak, one can analyze the general features more calmly than was possible a week ago when Parliament was still aglow with George Kyte's speech. The house has not felt so warm since before the war. When the member for Richmond, N. S., had concluded his remarks Sir Wilfrid Laurier was thoroughly kindled. "Stung," he exclaimed, and when Sir Wilfrid drops into the vernacular that way you can bet the large emotions are released.

The speech which nailed the Government to its Shell Committee and Major General Sir Sam Hughes to his dear friend Colonel J. Wesley Allison, although four hours long and not a dull minute part of the work. Before that was the long, hard job of tracing the Colonel to his various lairs in New York State and Virginia, surprising him red handed with his fellow bandits, sorting out his aliases as disclosed by the mushroom companies he dealt with or caused to be incorporated and establishing an official connection between his dark deeds, the old Shell Committee and Major General Sam. The colonel had as many disguises as Jupiter—but mostly he was the Golden Shower as experienced by Dante—and believe me he took some trailing, also some quick thinking and clever deduction.

As two heads are better than one in this Sherlock Holmes business, it is no surprise to learn that Frank Carvell helped his friend George Kyte with the detective end of the case. Together they got the affidavits, secured copies of contracts, searched the records and one way and another made such a neat tight-fitting legal case of it that Sir Sam and his Colonel and the Borden Government and the old Shell Committee could go into any court in the land and come out with a verdict of guilty. Then these two partners in good works, disdaining all little personal rivalries, pooled their information, and while Frank Carvell sat back and fagged papers for him, George Kyte stepped out in front and made the speech of his life.

Between the two they spread all the horrid details on Hansard. Like Jack Spratt and his wife they licked the platter clean—a mighty big platter and a lot of licking including the licking the Borden Government will get at the next general election. To get the whole case for the prosecution all the student of politics has to do now is to read the speeches of Carvell, Pugsley, Pardee and Kyte—they cover the ground. Carvell and Kyte probably cover more ground but the others made good shoot-

ing too. Great heavens, what fighters those Maritime Province fellows are! They don't believe the truce should be used to cover a multitude of sins and consequently they don't use it that way. They lift the cloak and show the pillage and graft underneath. While the boys are away in the trenches fighting the Germans, the Home Guard on Parliament Hill does its bit fighting the middlemen. How is it the Blue Noses develop so much fire? They may have Blue Noses, but there isn't a man of 'em has Cold Feet.

Take George Kyte for example. Never was a blither, bonnier fighter than George of Richmond. Such a thing as losing his temper George Kyte does not know. As he lays about him there is ever a twinkle in his eye. When he is merriest look out for him—for it's then he hits hardest. The only danger signal is a glint of red in his chestnut hair. If I were on the other side of the house I'd watch that and when it lit up I'd say "Ware George!" As for the rest you wouldn't find in a day's journey, a milder, gentler, more humane man than the one who administered the knock out to the Borden Government. How quickly yet how mercifully he did it! One to the solar plexus, that is to say to the Shell Committee, another to the point of the jaw, Colonel J. Wesley Allison, another just above the heart, being Major General Sir Sam Hughes. Three swift punches and all was over. The Government pattered, tottered, crumpled and went down for the full count.

To get away from these prize-ring metaphors and put it in plain English, Sir Thomas White who had rashly ventured into a discussion where the Honorable Robert Rogers feared to tread, thereby sacrificing to his pride of dialectic, the reputation he had won as a sensible Finance Minister who minded his own business—Sir Thomas, I repeat, went back on the whips' arrangement to take a vote and moved the adjournment of the debate which was a sure sign that the Government was gasping for air. After a few sad looks the Cabinet filed mournfully out humming under their breath, "Nearer My God, to Thee," Downward Christian Soldiers," Shells We Gather at the River," and other familiar and appropriate stanzas. A two o'clock in the morning Cabinet meeting was held but no two o'clock in (Continued on Page Two)

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