

last night some twenty minutes, was coast There were several rumours sent of Ostend from the sea, but that the explosions heard were the drops of the Allied airmen and of the anti-aircraft guns.

Efforts to Take Kovno.

Petrograd, Thursday.

are showing unprecedented haste in operations against Kovno. Evidently the Russian lines and the flanks of our basic defensive line. Our armies had time to go north from their very haste, coupled with energy and activity which they were displaying between the Niemen and it is permissible to infer that our army reached the Northern front.

of Kovno is indispensable to the it bars the path eastward from d prevent his occupation of both ver. Every minute is precious, instead of subjecting the fortress to preparatory bombardment, the led themselves, before attempting fortifications, to a hurricane fire for hours, similar to that which applied on the night of May 1st.

of three battalions almost in is but a foretaste of the colossal the Germans will be compelled to they gain their object.

and that the enemy is now retreating of Jonevish in order to take up a position, or else is contemplating the arrival of reinforcements his offensive operations.

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Peace Proposals.

Amsterdam, Friday.

on Berlin state that considerable attached in political circles in a semi-official statement published veiling to the effect that Germany is en to peace proposals if they are

throughout the German Empire may respond to this call simply by desire to end the struggle as early general awe is expressed throughout suggestion of a second winter in face of the growing discontent socialists and working classes it is the Imperial Chancellor will make sent on peace in the name of the forthcoming session of the Reichstag.

's Naval Success.

of another Austrian submarine, led by the Chief of the Italian Naval takes the second such success this trian U12 having been torpedoed by Italian submarines and sunk three days Italian communique does not explain success was achieved. A number crew were rescued and taken

DESCRIPTION OF EGGS.

of the Board of Agriculture and land, has under consideration the n be taken in the interests of the

James Douglas writes a moving history in the "Daily News." Her husband, now deceased, served in the Connaught Rangers for 21 years. Eight of her ten sons followed him into that famous regiment, and of these five have been killed in action, one has been invalided out of the service, one is a prisoner of war, and one has been wounded. Her two other sons are in the Royal Irish Rifles, and one of them has been severely wounded and is now in a Dublin hospital. To complete this marvellous record, I should mention that Mrs. Fury's daughter is married to a sergeant in the Connaught Rangers.

GERMAN RUNAWAYS CAPTURED.

The two German officers who escaped from the internment camp at Oldtown, Co. Meath, on Wednesday night, and for whom a vigorous search has since been instituted, were captured yesterday morning at Cavan by the Royal Irish Constabulary. They were officers in the German mercantile marine.

THE LATE MRS PETTY, LIMERICK.

Emis, Friday.

The funeral of this much lamented lady took place to-day from the Emis Railway Station on the arrival of the 10.12 train from Limerick. A number of friends met the remains at the station. The interment took place in the family burial place at Ramoliffe.

The chief mourners were—Messrs H. B. Aiton, Limerick; and Percy Aiton, grandsons; Master Fred Kerin, grandnephew, and G. R. Ryan, Castleconnell.

Very Rev. Canon O'Dea, Adm., was in attendance

In the general attendance were:—Messrs W Healy, Clerk of the Crown and Peace; Master Terence Healy, N S P Waring, Manager Provincial Bank; M S Honan, J P; F W G Hickman, solicitor; M T Macnamara, solicitor; W H Fogarty, solicitor; Matt O'Dea, Dr A Greene, Dr J B MacClancy, P J Howarth, V.S.; T J Hunt, W H Allen, C.E.; G R Millard, C.E.; Denis Roughtan, Pat Roughtan, Martin Molony, Michael Downes, John Barrett, O Tuohy, Thomas Oullin, Ralph Oullin, D J Nono, Pat Spellissy, James Daly, Thos O'Loughlin, W J Carter, W. C. Railway; P McHugh, P Meehan, P Madigan, M Howard, Peter Moylan, J Stayer, T Malone, P O'Connell, etc., etc.

SIXMILE-BRIDGE PETTY SESSIONS CLERKSHIP.

It is stated that the Lord Lieutenant has directed that a new appointment shall be made for the Petty Sessions Clerkship of Sixmilebridge. It will be remembered that at the last court Miss G Frost, daughter of the retiring clerk, Mr Thomas Frost, was unanimously appointed by a full bench.

ALLEGED SHIP DESERTION.

Yesterday morning Elis Lundberg, a Swede, and Karl Johansson, a Russian Finn, were charged with deserting from their ship the "Alin Wilde," which left Limerick three days ago. The matter was reported to the police by the master of the vessel, and the arrest was effected by Constables Hourigan and Byrne on board the ship now berthed at the dock.

At the Police Court this morning Mr Kelly,

operation of a scheme of cooperation similar to the scheme we have undertaken in the Rathfriland urban district, and by which we hoped your libraries may be organised and maintained on the most efficient lines. The are the terms on which the Trustees are to give you those benefits:—On the part of the Trustees—(1) The additional cost of the building of libraries consequent on the rise of prices owing to the war is provided, such sum net to exceed £1,000 and this sum to be spent in such a way as to be best to the Trustees in consultation with the Council's architect, Mr. J. D. Leahy, in part of their Organising Committee; (3) bonuses to be paid to the Sub-Librarians, such bonuses not to exceed £100 per annum, the scheme to continue for five years on the side of the Council (1) Full facilities for organising to be granted to the Librarian; (2) the accumulated savings on the library rate to be used for stocking the library with books and bookcases, and the furniture; (3) the rules and regulations for the central and branch libraries to be approved by the trustees; (4) certain schools to be included in the schemes for book supplies.

for the central library are now ready for approval of by the trustees, who the work of building is to be started at once.

The Chairman said they should be trustees for their generosity in giving the additional to build libraries. £3,900 estimate, but when the war broke out materials had increased considerably in price was very thoughtful of the trustees for this additional sum, and he thought the the best thanks of the Council.

Mr Barrett asked what about the Library site.

The Chairman said they had nothing that at present, as they had only to the plan of the central library. The of the sub-libraries would be considered a date.

Mr Leahy, Engineer, said Sir Horace one of the trustees wished to have changes made in the plan. Sir Horace think they had sufficient accommodation for books in the central library. There was plan prepared; it carried out the original with an addition inside the building of of the house. It would entail no additional expense—if anything it would be less. The trustees were anxious to have all the put up in a substantial manner and as early as possible. Sir Horace Plunkett had the plan on behalf of Mr Carnegie, and Leahy) advised the Council to adopt the

The Chairman—It is a very beautiful and it is a credit to the generosity of the

On the motion of Mr W D O'Connor by Mr Drew, a resolution was passed that Carnegie Trustees for their further £1,000, and for the scheme of bonuses trustees proposed to put into operation in the district, and accepting the conditions. Furthermore, approving of the plan and agreeing to commence the building of the library at once, and the building of the libraries as soon as possible after.

THE WEATHER.

Barometric and other indications period of fine and warm weather for week. To-morrow (Sunday) will be

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