

to Brody, representing a frontage of eighty miles. Thus, while the has for weeks past been strengthened Eastern line by bringing up all the cements that were available, our ally continues to march from victory to victory with a regularity which should convince the German-Austro combination that victory is not for them. If proportionate like extent is not being made in the Eastern theatre, it must be remembered that the conditions of warfare are different from what obtain in the Eastern zone. The Russians are operating over an immense area of country, and the enemy does not know at what point he may be caught—as for instance at Brody, where it is not time to withdraw his munitions stores—but in the West the character of the campaign partakes more or less of the nature of a siege, which renders the progress of the British and French troops necessarily slow. But, as we know, since the present offensive began, the progress of the Allies is decidedly accelerating, and altogether inspiring and encouraging. The enemy, fortified by relays of heavily fortified defences, is fighting desperately and sustaining heavy losses in order to make victory for the Allies as dear as possible. An instance of this is shown by the attempts of the Huns to re-capture the Wood from which the "famous sauerkraut" had, a day or two previously, been driven by our troops. This attempt, which failed with heavy losses to the enemy, once more proved his absolute disregard for the sacrifice of human life. The Allies are effectively wearing down the power of the enemy in men and materiel, and it is admitted by a German writer that the vigour of our offensive is not only not decreasing but steadily increasing in intensity. Indeed, Sunday's German official communiqué declares the fact that "the enemy fire on the Ancre and the Somme increased to the greatest violence." This is a significant declaration from Berlin, and an unconscious and obviously unwilling tribute to the effectiveness of the work of the British and French troops, of which they will have to reckon with as time moves on. During

death of his only daughter from the effects of the heat.

At an auction on Saturday at Ardstraw, near Newtown Stewart, Co Tyrone, the following top prices were paid:—Potatoes, £31 per acre; oats, £15 per acre.

After a service of 34 years as compounder to the Listowel Dispensary, Mr J F McGuire applied for the first time for four weeks' leave of absence. The leave was unanimously granted.

Yesterday Mr P J Kelly, R.M., further remanded Patrick Rodgers on the charge of maliciously wounding Patrick Hegarty, in the parish church of Ballyruan, Co Clare, on the 2nd ult.

For the second time during the past month a farm near Loughrea has been cleared of its stock, and the gates and walls thrown down. The cattle were found a considerable distance away.

The several excursions by rail from Limerick on Sunday were largely patronised, and in the evening a goodly number had a very enjoyable and exhilarating three hours' trip on the river by the ss "Shannon," which reached Mount Kennett Quay at 8 p.m.

At the Kilkee Petty Sessions Sergeant Corduff had about ten men from the Carrigsholt district summoned for being drunk and disorderly on the evening of the 20th July. It was the day of the races in Kilkee. Fines ranging from 2s 6d to 5s and costs were imposed in each case.

With military honours the remains were interred in Corkbeg, Whitegate, of Lt M Penrose-Fitzgerald, West Surreys, who died in the Military Hospital, Lincoln, from wounds received in France. Deceased was a son of Mr J Penrose-Fitzgerald, Viscount Middleton's agent.

MISSING SOLDIER FOUND DROWNED.

The body of a private soldier, presumed to be the one reported to have jumped from Baal's Bridge into the Abbey River late on Friday night, was recovered from the river early to-day, and conveyed to the New Barracks, where an inquest will be held to-morrow. The deceased is stated to be a young man named Ryan, a native of Clare county, County Clare, and to have been passing through Limerick on his way to rejoin, at Tralee, the depot companies of the Royal Munster Fusiliers, to which regiment he belonged. Before taking what proved to be a fatal leap from the bridge, the soldier gave his khaki overcoat to some person about the place at the time, so it is said, and the statement seems borne out by the fact that the Mary-street police had a soldier's overcoat handed to them, when the man did not return to claim it, as it is reported he said he would. There was very little water in the Abbey River at the time the soldier is stated to have jumped from the bridge.

THE ATHENÆUM.

An interesting programme of pictures was presented to patrons of the Athenæum last night, and one which was greatly appreciated. The principal picture was "Greed," a double-part drama of exciting and sensational episodes. Another capital film was "Water Clue," while "The Slave" was up to the standard set at the Athenæum in refined dramatic works. "By Return Mail" represented the comic side of the programme.

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The following communiqué a.m., August 1st:— Last-night's raid appears to have been carried out by a considerable number of raiders appear to have spent over the Counties of Lincoln, Norfolk, Cambridge, Essex, Kent, and Surrey. Bombs were dropped on several localities possessing no anti-aircraft guns. At one spot anti-aircraft guns were believed with good effect. Full details of the raid are not yet available.

ROLL OF HONOUR.

The week-end casualty lists are as follows:—Officers—Dead, 118; missing, 406. Men—Dead, 1,204; missing, 4,204. Naval ratings—Dead, 21; wounded, 36.

Officers wounded include—Lt Royal Irish Regt; and Sec-Lt Royal Irish Fusiliers. Died—W T Dickson, Inniskilling Fusiliers. Wounded—L Cosgrave, Dublin Fusiliers.

The following losses are included in the night's casualty lists:—Officers—Wounded and missing, 233. Men—Wounded and missing, 2,400. Officers wounded include—Sec-Lt Royal Irish Regt. Rank and file—M Keyes, and D Morrissey, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers; P D Leinster Regiment.

Captain Cleary.

Captain N C Cleary, R.F.A., youngest son of Surgeon-General

Captain G E Elliott.

The death in action is announced of Gerald Ewen Elliott, Gloucester Fusiliers, who was only 26 years of age. He was the late Mr J C Elliott, Rathenry, Hollywood Gardens, Watlington.

Major Markes, Tipperary.

The news of the death in action of Major John Markes, Tipperary Regiment, was received with deep regret. He was so extremely popular. The deceased was 37th year, and who was the only son of Mr Alfred Markes, London, was in St Michael's Church, Tipperary. He was the daughter of Dr Charles Ryan, J.P., and a niece of Right Rev Monsignor R. Tipperary. Major Markes, who few months had been promoted to the rank of captain, was on the general staff, on intelligence duty, when he was killed by a shrapnel shell and killed instantly. He leaves four young children.

Royal Munster Fusiliers.

The following are gazetted:—Royal Munster Fusiliers—Captains—M H O'Donovan (sic) and P W Newenham, G H Exham. Second Lieutenants—Lieutenant