

STORY IS CERTAIN."

ted Press of New York is to be ed upon the Transatlantic en- rich succeeded in obtaining from offred a lengthy message, in the interview with its Paris correspon- ch is distinctly the most interest- recent anniversary pronounce- n the course of the war. The r-in-Chief of the Allied Forces t is not a Generalissimo of the e. Though there is good reason that he looks as far ahead as a, he is no lover of public pro- l, if he perchance accepts the pro- strine as to the relative might of l the sword, he seems to trust in the latter. General Joffre, in an of deeds rather than words; ich as he has been in that re- ching of a problem to the journal- , the triumph of the New York ess will be the greater. When h Commander-in-Chief, whom Alliance, for all his reticence and publicity, has learnt to hold in affection and respect, elects to some portion of his mind, he is ate assured of an attentive hearing. There is, perhaps, no idual upon whom more arduous responsibilities have devolved y since the very first days of the n him. from those critical stages e present hour of high hope, has main brunt of organising and the practical tasks of, first, he mainonslaught of the German ct. to use one his own rare but phrases, of "nibbling" at the n lines from Bale to the Bel- ist; and finally, of turning the emy, as is happening now, from o defensive. With General as rested, through two long anxiety and stress, to first hand with the daily and blems of an unprecedented ven embattled forces which are is in arms than armies. Yet in the responsibility which

ing the inaugural meeting on September 16th next, and have applied to the Stewards of the Turf Club for the necessary permit.

The Limerick Steamship Company announce in our advertising columns an excursion by the ss "Shannon" to Kildysart and back, next Sunday afternoon. The steamer will leave Mount Kenmet Quay at 3.30 o'clock.

An engagement is announced between Clare, younger daughter of the Right Hon T L O'Shaughnessy, K.C., Recorder of Dublin, and Edmund B Colles, Second Lieutenant, Royal Irish Rifles, only son of Mrs Colles, Ely Place, Dublin.

Captain J H Lawlor, son of Mr W Lawlor, Dungarvan, 5th Batt, Munsters, has won distinction for gallantry in the field on June 27th, 1916. His name is to be entered on the record of the Irish Division. A record has been made of the gallantry during the recent advance of Private B Barrett, Munsters.

Daniel O'Brien, a tramp, was remanded yesterday to Petty Sessions by Mr Peacocke, J.P., on a charge of drunkenness and breaking a police cell window the previous night. The Mayor presided at the City Police Court to-day. There was but one case, a charge of drunkenness, and the defendant was allowed out, after being cautioned.

Mr R E Longfield, D.L., presided in the Short Castle Hall, Mallow, at a distribution of 90 certificates of honour, most of them handed to relatives of men on active service. Mr J F Williamson hoped that when the men came home victorious equitable arrangements would be made to enable them to displace the man and the dog now occupying large tracts of untilled and comparatively wasted land. Other speakers were Lieut R Jordan, Mr P M O'Brien, J.P., and Mr A H Hanley.

CITY BATHING FATALITY.

A distressing drowning fatality occurred in the Shannon at the metal bridge yesterday, the victim being Patrick O'Driscoll, eighteen years of age, and son of Mr Joseph O'Driscoll, Bowman street. At the time of the occurrence he was bathing in the river at the Clare side, and not being a very good swimmer, he got into difficulties and disappeared before assistance was at hand. The body was recovered some time later and conveyed to his parents' residence. The deceased, who was a promising lad, was only at home from Dublin on a holiday since Saturday, and was due to return in a few days. Information of the fatality having been communicated to the Coroner, an inquest was not considered necessary. This is the second drowning accident that has occurred at this part of the river within the past month, the other victim being a postman.

RECONSTRUCTION OF DUBLIN

Consideration of the Bill Postponed.

When the suspension of the 11 o'clock rule was moved in the House of Commons yesterday, in order that the Dublin Reconstruction Bill might be taken, Sir Edward Carson objected to such an important Bill being discussed at so late an hour. Mr Duke, having explained that it was most important that he should be in Ireland as soon as possible, expressed the hope that, if the Bill could not be discussed that evening, it would be postponed till next week.

The discussion of the Bill was accordingly postponed.

French Recover Lost

Sir Douglas Haig reported yesterday that our troops had made some advance at Poitiers by bombing the enemy trench. In an evening report he was able to add that a trench of 200 yards on 600 yards from the latter was due to the efforts of Austrians.

On the French front the enemy is gaining a footing in a trench, from which he was immediately ejected.

The night report states that all the trenches have now been recovered.

In the Verdun region heavy artillery continued, but there was no infantry action.

OUR VICTORY IN EGYPT

Pursuit of the Turks

Press Bureau, Wednesday, 1916.

The War Office announces:

Telegraphing at 8.45 last night that the Officer Commanding in Chief in Egypt is continuing our pursuit of the enemy in the Katia region.

To the north and west the Turkish forces have been pressed back, while to the east the Imperial Camel Corps, by a dashing attack, has driven them from their entrenchments.

We have captured more prisoners and an enemy rearguard has now retired to a position running north and south through the Katia (fifteen miles east of Katia).

BRITISH AIR RAID

Zeppelin Shed Bombed

Press Bureau, Wednesday, 1916.

The Secretary of the Admiralty announced:

At daybreak this morning, under heavy attack, an enemy airship shed at Evere, near Brussels, was successfully bombed.

The objective was successfully bombed to a height of 200 feet, and eight bombs exploded, served to hit the shed. Heavy column of smoke were seen to issue.

Our machines returned safely.

MORE ZEPPELIN RAIDS

On East Coast.

It is officially reported that at 3.15 a.m. this morning a series of Zeppelin raids occurred simultaneously at various points on the East Coast.

Anti-aircraft guns were used, and the Zeppelins were driven off.

They did no military damage, but several persons, and injured a number of others.

In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr Brookes asked whether the Air Force was now satisfied with all the means at disposal for dealing with Zeppelin attacks.

Mr Baird said he had nothing to add to his previous replies as to the Department's policy.

Mr Billing asked whether this held good in regard to Tuesday night's raid.

Mr Baird—Certainly it does. Such are bound to happen, but the Government are perfectly well the effectiveness of the defence at our disposal.