

entirely overcome, we may commend to attention the cautious remarks we publish to-day from our correspondent with the French Armies. He confirms the frequent reports that the moral of the German Army is declining, but he also states that they still have "a large supply of fine fighting troops."

Fighting in Siberia.

A "Times" war telegram from Kharbin, dated August 21st, says:—The enemy demonstration on the Ussuri front developed strongly on Monday. Both flanks of the Allied force were attacked, and the Cossacks lost four guns and had a hundred casualties. The Czechs and French and British troops were engaged, and later the Japanese, the whole force losing about 300 killed and wounded. The line has been withdrawn six miles. Japanese reinforcements are fast arriving on the scene. An enemy force, believed to number 4,000, landed from Lake Khanka, about 100 miles north of Vladivostok, and is being directed forward with the object of getting astride the Siberian Railway and putting communications between Vladivostok and Kharbin. The awkwardness of the situation may be judged from the fact that a considerable portion of the Czech-Slovak force has been brought back to cover the railway between Nikolsk, north of Vladivostok and Grodekova. This development is not serious, because the American and Japanese troops are fast getting into position, but it is significant of the inadequacy of the forces sent by the Allies that when the Czechs are preparing a hazardous expedition for the relief of their compatriots in West Siberia they are compelled to delay operations at the crucial point by the necessity of protecting their own rear.

Roll of Honour.

LIEUT T G O'SULLIVAN.

We regret to announce the death in action, at the age of 31 years, of Lieut Thomas George O'Sullivan, Royal Engineers, which took place in France on Wednesday last. The sad intelligence was received by his mother, Mrs T G O'Sullivan, Ardara Terrace, Kinnis Road, from the Secretary of State for War, who offered his sympathy, and regretted the death of a gallant officer. He was second son of the late Dr T G O'Sullivan, and brother of our popular fellow-citizen, Dr W J O'Sullivan. In December, 1914, Lieut O'Sullivan joined the 6th Leinster Regiment as a cadet, and received his commission on the following July. He went to France with the 16th (Irish) Division a Christmas week, 1915, and was through the battle of the Somme and other severe engagements before being invalided home in October, 1916. He remained in this country for some time before returning to France, and after being through another severe campaign he was again invalided home. Meantime he was, in account of his knowledge of railway engineering, transferred to the Royal Engineers, and in that capacity he returned to the Western theatre of war in the summer of 1917. He was at the battle of Cambrai, and when the German offensive started in March he was present, and endured the hardships of the retreat, which has since turned into an Allied victory. Wherever the danger was greatest Lieutenant O'Sullivan was to be found, and in making the supreme sacrifice he showed his heroism and valour. With his mother and family the utmost sympathy will be extended in the loss of a gallant, manly and upright officer. He was the very soul of honour, a true friend, and now that he is gone, to those that knew him intimately his memory will ever remain green and enduring.

A King for Finland.

A telegram from Helsinki to Friday's Berlin papers state that the deputation appointed by the Finnish Government, composed of Senator Tallas, Senators Eray and Navanlinna, and Baron von

veesla.

Mr Ryan—And you must have a navigable waterway for them.

Mr Dalton seconded the resolution.

Mr Griffin thought if money could be earned by chartering the dredger it should be done. However he was not disposed to take a different view from the members.

Mr Dalton—Is there not a likelihood of our finances being considerably increased under the increase in rates and dues sanctioned by the Board of Trade?

The Secretary—Yes, to the extent of about £2,000.

Mr Dalton—That will get us over our difficulties.

Mr Koche said it was very wise on the part of the Board to retain the dredger.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

MECHANICS' WAGES.

A letter was read from the mechanics in the Board's employment asking to be granted the standard rate of wages as obtained in the city.

The application was adjourned pending the decision of the Board to go into the entire financial position on Wednesday, the 4th proximo.

The meeting adjourned.

DEATH OF MR J HANNAN.

The death took place in St John's Hospital on Saturday of Mr John Hannan in his twenty-fifth year, after a brief illness. The deceased was eldest son of Mr D Hannan, Henry Street, and had been for a number of years an assistant at Messrs J P Evans and Co. He was a quiet, unassuming young fellow, and his demise has come as a severe blow to his family with whom the greatest sympathy is felt in their bereavement. The funeral took place yesterday from St Michael's R.C. Church for Mount St Laurence Cemetery, and was largely attended.

Germany's Food Supply.

People who suppose Germany will be starved into submission, says a "Times" war telegram, are quite mistaken. There is a great amount of food left in Germany yet, rural Germany being, indeed, in some parts, as is a large part of Bavaria for instance, quite well provided. The privation is worst in the great cities, but even there people with money can provide for themselves very well. I do not mean the Germans are not suffering from privation in respect of food. Taking the nation as a whole, what they are now experiencing does not go the length of starvation such as would induce the nation to reorganise the Government.

Allies and Complete Victory.

General Sir F Maurice, in an article in the "Daily Chronicle," discourses the question: "Is a complete military victory possible in the West?" After a week spent on the British front, he writes, while I never heard during my visit any doubt expressed as to the final result, if we persevered to the end, I heard many anxious questions as to the meaning of the strikes at home, fears as to the result of a German peace offensive, and inquiries as to whether the Army would be kept up to strength. We can trust the Army, from Commander-in-Chief to private to do its share, if we at home, from Government to man-in-the-street do ours.

American Reserves.

The Press Association's Special Correspondent with the American Army in France says—The position along the Vesle may appear to have become somewhat stereotyped, but events elsewhere are now beginning once more to bring it into prominence. The American Force that is holding the line of the river has been given no respite; neither has it allowed the enemy to indulge in any dreams of security. The German

The "Catholic Times" of Sat the following:—On the 10th it informed from the War Office that granted to us under the Defence Regulation 24B, by which we were dispatched the "Catholic Times" abroad, had been cancelled. On in guidance, the reason of this is informed on the 19th instant by G.S. Chief Postal Censor, that the cancellation or refusal of post Defence of the Realm Regulation communicated."

THE ATHENÆUM

The picture programme presented house at the Athenæum last night the standard laid down by the most popular cinema hall. "The Bull's" highly interesting dramatic sub-draws entitled "Blind Justice" so fine impression of a delightfully theme. To-morrow and follow thrilling Wild West play, "Heart will be shown, and on Friday another chief attraction in the bill of fare is "geance," a decidedly clever drama.

LONDON TUBE STR

Influenced by the statement of Union's secretary (Mr Thomas) an organisation would do nothing for Tube employees who did not return strikers last night decided to go before to-morrow morning.

SHOWER OF FISH

There was a rain of fish at Sun the week-end, says the "Daily Mail" over a radius of one hundred yards with them. They lay twenty to thirty yard, and varied in length from inches. The fish, known locally as appearance, were dead when they supposed that they were carried into waterspout from the sea, which is where they fell to earth.

THE SINKING OF THE L

Judge Mayer, of the Federal Ad New York, has, says a Reuter's tele that the Cunard Line cannot be held less of life and property by the des Lusitania. Judge Mayer said the vessel was an illegal act of the Government, acting through its instructor marine commander, and that responsibility be laid upon those responsible for the vessel in a legal as well as in Dismissing the suits of the heirs perished in the Lusitania, the United States and her Allies will the rights of those affected by the Lusitania, and when the time shall that reparation shall be made for indefensible acts of modern times.

AMERICA'S POST-WAR

Mr Hurley, Chairman, U S A S says that enemy propagandists will endeavour to arouse distrust among the fact that to carry out her great America was building a big transport food ships, and that after the war would be used in America's enormous But, he adds, guarantees for America are found in their unselfish policy for democracy and in their past republics do not bring prosperity to our well as to ourselves our own pride in ment," he declares. "will be dimini