ROLL OF HONOUR.

The following casualties are officially reported:—

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Killed:-
Bruce, 2Lt., W., R.E.

Previously missing, now killed:-
Singer, 2Lt., E.H.P., Essex R.

Previously wounded, now died of wounds:-
Maynard, Major, J.E., London R.

Died:-
Davies, Lt., C.J., R.F.A.
Shinn, Lt., S.G., London R.

Prisoners in Germany, now arrived in England:-
Addington, Lt., E.G., W. York R.
Albert, 2Lt., C.H., Worcester R.
Allen, 2Lt., L.T.M., W. Surrey R.
Aston, Lt., R., Warwick R.
Ayers, 2Lt., A., Tank Corps.
Barnett, Cap., V.G., Cheshire R.
Baylif, 2Lt., G.T.Lc., Tank Corps.
Beale, 2Lt., W.J., Tank Corps.
Beetham, Cap., N.H., Sherwood For.
Bennett, Cap., F.C.H., R.A.M.C.
Benson, 2Lt., H., Tank Corps.
Benson, Cap., J., R. Irish Fus.
Binns, 2Lt., W.A.F., Rifle Corps.
Birley, 2Lt., T.E.H., R.F.C.
Blacklock, 2Lt., H.A., Duke of Corn L.I.
Boyd, Cap., R., R. Dublin Fus.
Brockwell, Lt., S.G., Cav. Special Res.
Brown, Lt., J.B., Mach Gun Corps.
Burgess, 2Lt., F., Northumber'd Fus.
Cameron, 2Lt., H., York & Lane R.
Carter, 2Lt., O.W., R.F.A.
Carimell, 2Lt., F., Tank Corps.
Chambers, 2Lt., A.H., Sherwood For.
Champeney, 2Lt., J.F., Tank Corps.
Clare, Lt., A.M., R.A.M.C.
Clarke, 2Lt., J.B., York L.I.
Clarke, 2Lt., C.H., R.F.C.
Clegg, 2Lt., J.H., W. York R.
Cockburn, Lt., J.S., Hussars.
Coe, 2Lt., W., Border R.
Cookson, 2Lt., P., Manchester R.
Cruttenden, Lt., C., Grenadier Grds.
Dick Cunyngham, Brgd. Gen., J.K.
Donaldson, Cap., M., R.A.M.C.
Dowson, 2Lt., S.T., Wiltshire R.
Edgar, 2Lt., A.P., Worcester R.
Elliot, 1Lt., W., Cameron Hghrs.
Evans, 2Lt., R.J., R. Fus.
Farmer, Cap., N.J.C., R.E.
Field, 2Lt., F.L.A., Tank Corps.
Fraser Mackenzie, 2Lt., R.A.L., Seaforth Highlanders.
French, Cap., H.R., Dragoon Grds.
Gerese, Cap., J.D., R.A.M.C.
George, 2Lt., P.A.B., Middlesex R.
Gibbon, Major, R.M., Manchester R.
Gibson, Lt., A.J.E., R. Irish Rifles.
Gibson, 2Lt., G.M., Northumber'd Fus.
Graham, 2Lt., W., R.F.A.
Greenwood, 2Lt., G., R.F.A.
Greer, 2Lt., S.P., Mach Gun Corps.
Greig, 2Lt., R., Middlesex R.
Hampton, 2Lt., J.D., Mach Gun Corps.
Harris, Lt., F.E., Devonshire R.
Hartley, 2Lt., R.W., Lincoln R.
Hatfeild, Cap., A.C., R.F.C.
Hayer, 2Lt., J., Middlesex R.
Hazeley, 2Lt., I., Mach Gun Corps.
Hibbert, 2Lt., J.E., York R.
Hortob, 2Lt., J.A., W. Kent R.
Houlton, Cap., S., Tank Corps.
Johnstone, 2Lt., R.D., Duke of Corn L.I.
Jones, 2Lt., E., Liverpool R.
Jones, Cap., E.H., R.A.M.C.
Jones, Cap., H.B., R.A.M.C.
Kellogg, Lt., W.B., R.F.C.
Kincaid Smith, Cap., M.A., Highland L.I.
Lane Davies, Rev., J.G., Chaplain.
Lax, 2Lt., W.L., R.E.
Leadbitter, 2Lt., K.O., Coldstream Grds.
Leslie, 1Lt., H.H., Mach Gun Corps.
Lewis, 2Lt., T.C., Rifle Brgd.
Lingwood, Cap., C.R., Northumber'd Fus.
Loughbridge, Lt., J.A., R.A.M.C.
Lumley, 2Lt., A.F.C., Tank Corps.
Macfregor, 2Lt., J.S., R. Scots.
Macgregor, Lt., W.K., Black Watch.
Mackay, 2Lt., P.W., Black Watch.
Marfell, 2Lt., K., Gloucester R.
Mark, Cap., A.W.D., Northumber'd Fus.
Marsden, 2Lt., J.W., W. York R.
Marsh, 2Lt., G.R.T., R.F.C.
Metcalf, 2Lt., R., Border R.
Morgan, 2Lt., T.E., R.E.
Mulphy, Lt., T.F., Tank Corps.
Neild, 2Lt., A., Sherwood For.
Parr, Lt., J.W., Highland L.I.
Patrick, 2Lt., R.F.W., Seaforth Hghrs.
Paxton, 2Lt., J., Warwick R.
Powell, 2Lt., T., R.F.C.
Richey, 2Lt., R.A., R. Irish Fus.
Robertshaw, 2Lt., P.S., R. Lancaster R.
Robson, 2Lt., G.B., Duke of Corn L.I.
Russell, Lt., W.W., R.E.
Scarlett, 2Lt., J.C.D., R.F.A.
Scoby, L., H.H., York R.
Scott, Cap., C.A., S. Stafford R.
Sergeant, 2Lt., G., W. York R.
Shorman, Lt., L.E., R. Fus.
Soutar, 2Lt., G.C., Tank Corps.
Sparkes, 2Lt., P.J., Scots Bord.
Sparks, 2Lt., H.J., Rifle Corps.
Sprowell, 2Lt., B.W., Manchester R.
Stant, 2Lt., D.M., Sherwood For.
Stewart, Lt., R.J.G., R.F.C.
Stewart, Smith, Lt., D.C., Black Watch.
Stone, 2Lt., W.J.G., R.G.A.
Story, 2Lt., D., Northumber'd Fus.
Strong, 2Lt., A.H., York R.
Thompson, S., 2Lt., H.W., Welsh Fus.
Thomson, 2Lt., S., Liverpool R.
Tollemache, Lt., C.H., Middlesex R.
Tucker, Cap., N.O., W. York R.
Vaughan, Cap., B., W. Kent R.
Vick, 2Lt., C.W., Liverpool R.
Wanstall, Cap., A., Middlesex R.
Webb, 2Lt., C., Tank Corps.
Webb, 2Lt., G.W., Sherwood For.
Webb, 2Lt., H.E., York R.
Wharton, 2Lt., H.A., Mach Gun Corps.
Whitbread, 2Lt., G.F., Middlesex R.
Widgery, 2Lt., H.J., Essex R.
Wilkie, 2Lt., R.C., R. Scots.
Willey, 2Lt., R., W. York R.
Williams, 2Lt., G.E., Tank Corps.
Winter, Lt., W.H., R.F.C.
Woodcock, 2Lt., H.F., R. Lancaster R.
Wooding, 2Lt., P.H., Rifle Brgd.
Young, 2Lt., S.H., Sussex R.

NAVAL CASUALTIES.

NAVAL REPATRIATED PRISONERS.

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London, Dec. 26.

Prisoners in Germany, now arrived in England:-
Barclay, Sub-Lt., J., Vol. Res.
Blake, Sub-Lt., F., Vol. Res.
Caldwell, Sub-Lt., J.M., Vol. Res.
Davidson, Sub-Lt., D.A., Vol. Res.
Fox, Sub-Lt., T.M., Vol. Res.
Ingle, Sub-Lt., D.A., Vol. Res.
Lunn, Sub-Lt., H.K., Vol. Res.
Vagg, Lt., E.G., Marine L.I.
Will, Sub-Lt., S.V., Vol. Res.

AIR FORCE CASUALTIES.

("Gazette's" Special Service.)

London, Dec. 26.

Killed:-
Wheeler, 2Lt., G.R., R.A.F.
Wicks, 2Lt., W.D., R.A.F.

Died:-
Lindsay, Lt., R.E., R.A.F.
Beebegging, Lt., J.P., R.A.F.
Walsh, Lt., J., R.A.F.

Died of injuries:-
Edwards, Cap., S.T., R.A.F.

Wounded:-
Hughes, Lt., J.S., R.A.F.

Repatriated:-
Evans, Major, A.J., R.A.F.

A LEXANDRIA'S HEALTH.

MUNICIPALITY'S REMISSNESS.

A remarkable example of the remissness of the Alexandria Municipality in improving the sanitary conditions of the city has been brought to light by its action regarding the influenza epidemic, which continues to claim many victims in Alexandria and the suburban districts, although the disease is now on the decrease according to the official statement published in our issue of Tuesday last. Recently the Municipality with a view, as it stated, to fight the malignant disease now prevalent notified that the Kism doctors will visit the poorer classes of the population, free of charge, at their homes if so needed. It might have been expected, however, in view of the annual appearance of typhus during the past few years and the continual criticism of the sanitary administration that the Municipality has been subjected to recently both in the Press and the Municipal Commission, that the Municipality would have taken steps to reform its system of Kism doctors. It will be remembered that after the recrudescence of typhus in the early part of the past year some of the Municipal Councillors, among whom were Maitre Lian, Arcache Bey and others, bitterly attacked the incompetency of the sanitary services of the Municipality, which were, however, supported by Dr. Granville, and it was finally decided to invite the Public Health Commission, then studying the conditions of health throughout the entire country under the presidency of Colonel Andrew Balfour, to study the needs of Alexandria and draw up a special report on the subject. Whether any special report has been made we cannot discover. But the general report of the Public Health Commission was published and it also dealt with Alexandria. In this report, speaking on the subject of the Kism doctor, it specially observes:—

"He should be sufficiently paid and should not be permitted private practice. His duties towards the Municipality conscientiously performed."

It would have naturally been expected that after this opinion had been given forth by the Public Health Commission and after the deplorable experiences of the typhus epidemics, the Municipality would have at once followed the advice given and would have made it a rule that henceforward all the Kism doctors should be debarred from private practice. This report of the Public Health Commission was published last July. Six months have passed, however, and still nothing has been done and again the city is in the throes of a serious epidemic of influenza which is far more fatal than typhus owing to its widespread character. In order to save a small sum by not increasing the pay of the Kism doctors so as to relieve them from the necessity of taking private practice, the health of the city is placed in jeopardy.

We know that the number of doctors at the present time scarcely suffice for their own work, yet the Municipality considers its Kism doctors such "Supermen" that they cannot only continue their usual professional duties as private practitioners and do their official work as Municipal doctors, but furthermore they now are expected to go to see the poor, who are suffering from influenza at their own homes. If it was not a question of life and death for large numbers of the population the latest action of the Municipality to fight the influenza would be farcical instead of tragical.

ALEXANDRIA BOURSE.

The market opened firmer and prices were generally higher.

Unified rose 5/16 to £89 3/4, Agricultural Bank remained at £6 21/32 while Credit Foncier bonds were more active issues 1886, 1903 and 1911 being quoted at fr.419 1/2, 309 and 287 respectively.

Behera's ordinary shares rose 1/16 to £12 7/16 while Preference were in demand at £4 27/32, 1/16 rise, Chek Fadl advanced half a franc to fr.103 1/2 and there was a rise of 1/64 in Union Fonciere which closed at £3 7/32.

Gabbary Lands closed unchanged at £- 25/32 1/64, deferred Trams being in demand at £.166 showing a rise of a franc.

Ordinary Khedivieh being a good feature changing hands in large number and closing at 77/64, 10 1/2d. rise.

Egyptian Salt and Soda were quoted at 48/10 1/2 ex-coupon.

Filatures Nationales were firmer at £11 15/16, 5/32 rise and there was no change in Cotton Ginners which finished at £- 13/16 1/64.

Société d'Electricité et de Mécanique were weaker closing at £4 13/16, 3/16 drop; Port Said Salt and Egypt and Levant s.s. Co. remained at 84/- and 30/3d. respectively. Also the new Egyptian Co. closed firmer in demand at 20/4 1/2d.

There was a three pence rise in Aboukir Co. which closed in demand at 23/3d.

The Government Publications Office has been removed to old Ismailia Palace, Sharia Kasr el-Aini, Cairo, where all correspondence concerning demands for copies of Government publications or subscriptions to periodical publications, the "Official Journal" and the "Official Bulletin" of the Native Tribunals, should be sent. Notices for the "Official Journal" should be sent to the Government Press, at Bulac.

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TRADE WITH SYRIA.

A Syrian firm of Alexandria has chartered a small American steamer which is now at the Alexandria harbour, to convey raisins, sugar and textile goods to Syria. A big consignment of salt has already been taken on board, and the other goods are still being prepared for shipment. The steamer will leave in the course of this week. The Italian steamer Servia is still in the outer harbour and may anchor alongside the quay in a day or two when she will begin to take passengers with permits and goods to Syria. The "Po" another Italian steamer in the western harbour will leave Alexandria shortly for Cyrenaica and thence proceed to Italy with a cargo of Egyptian products including cotton.

A large number of Syrians are trying to get permission to return to their country, but very few permissions are being given. The time for general travelling to Syria has not yet come, and, as the French Consulate states, only refugees who had to come to Egypt recently from Syria may be allowed to return to their country in these days.

COMPLAINTS ABOUT WHEAT DISTRIBUTION.

The Cairo millers and bakers have submitted a petition to the Controller of Wheat Distribution complaining of the method now followed in distributing wheat and flour to them. They say that the bakeries, as a result, may have to close and they suggest that the method of the Ministry of Agriculture should be followed in the distribution.

The Supplies Control Board has ordered owners of bakers' shops in Cairo to put tickets on their doors showing that they are in possession of official licences for the sale of bread, and that the price of special bread is 36 milliemes, and ordinary bread is 33 1/2 milliemes.

The quantity of onion exported from Egypt to foreign countries during this year is 365,559 sacks against 31,217 sacks last year.

The Supplies Local Commission met at the Alexandria Governorate on Tuesday and discussed the questions referred to it for consideration especially the distribution of Australian flour.

END OF THE COTTON CONTROL?

The Mokattam's correspondent at Alexandria states that he has been informed that the Cotton Control Commission has received a telegram from London stating that the Commission's functions will come to an end on March 1, 1919. But from enquiries we have made no such telegram has been received. The news is evidently premature.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.

At a result of the adjudication held at the office of the Director of Works, Cairo Tanzim Department, on Novpember 30, for the demolition and purchase of materials of the house of Wakf of Ahmed Bey Tewfik Ragheb at Sharia Emad el-Din, the tender of Hassan Ahmed el-Assal, value L.E. 380, has been accepted.

The supply of galvanized iron sheeting and bars advertised for in the "Official Journal" on December 9; for the Frontier Districts Administration, has been adjudicated to the following firms:— 1,400 kilos. galvanized iron sheeting, to Messrs. Levi Sarda & Co., L.E. 175; 320 kilos galvanized flat bars, to Mr. Alfred Kahil; L.E. 17 600 m/m; 190 kilos galvanized round bars to Mr. Alfred Kahil, L.E. 11 100 m/m.

Adjudications for the supply of various articles to the Department of Public Health have resulted as follows:—Tinned milk, Thos. Nestlé Anglo-Swiss Co., L.E. 80; Soft Soap, Mahmed Mahmed & Co., L.E. 312; Tentage accessories, Ali Hassan Rashid & Brothers, L.E. 4,362 175 m/m; Mahmud Ahmed, L.E. 266 560 m/m; A. S. Wisnom, L.E. 105; Taha Ahmed & Mohamed Soliman, L.E. 9 400 m/m.

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5TH SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

The following further subscriptions have been received by Madame Ledwyn Pontalis (the figures are in Egyptian pounds):-

Prince Omar Toussoun, L.E.50; Prince Kamal El Dine, 5; Mrs. E. Mariel, 40; Banque Française d'Egypte, 20; Mr. C.L. Mortera, 20; J.H. Peres & Co., 20; Mr. Ch. Naggar, 20; Mr. Anis Bahari, 20; Mr. Joseph Nahas Bey, 20; Maison Zagdoum, 15; Mr. Auguste Rossano, 15; Mr. Ch. de Rocca-Serra, 15; Sir Alexander Baird, 10; Maison Michelin (J. Manhes), 10; Mr. François Piétri, 10; Mr. Philippe Chiha, 10; Mr. René M. Cohen, 10; D. Addos & Fils, 10; S. Nahmias & Co., 10; M.M. J. & Rizgalla Asar, 10; Mr. Issa Saroufa, 10; Mr. & Mme. Adam, 5; Mr. P. Butler, 5; Mr. A. Skinasi (Alexandrie), 5; Mr. Th. Mordon, 5; Mr. V. Aznimar & Co., 5; Mr. J. Kramer & Co., 5; Mr. Abramino S. Adda, 5; Mr. J. Glynn & Co., 5; Mr. A. Agouri & Co., 5; Mr. J. de Picciotto & Co., 5; Mr. H. Ezzeme, 5; Mr. J. Fino & Co., 5; Anonymous, 5; Mr. A.J. Fisciropoulo, 5; Mr. Charvaut, 5; Dr. L. Gatineau, 2; Mr. Ch. Ezzeme, 2; Mr. Milton, 2; Mr. M. Guesnéd, 2; Mr. A. Peres, 2; Mr. S. Petras, 2; Mr. Abdel Meseih Bey Moussa, 2; Mr. Michel Ayoub Bey, 2; Mr. C. Salon, 1; Mr. A. Gallico, 1; Mr. J.S. Naggiar, 1; Mr. R. Landerer, 1; Mr. G.D. Xoudis, 1; Mr. Walter Berla Bey, 1; Mr. M.S. Peridis, 1; Salem & Omar Ben Kaid, 1; Mr. Mohd. Ismail Mansoura (Mina El Kamh), 1; Mr. Edouard Auclair, 1; Various sums, d.E.10.480 m/m.

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THE FRENCH LANGUAGE IN EGYPT.

The "Watan".—The French language began to have a footing in Egypt 120 years ago when the Napoleonic expedition took place. Being distinguished for its clearness, eloquence, nicety, exactness of expression, and its being of a nature to concord with the genius of the East, the language found many admirers in Egypt who studied it and used it as a medium for receiving scientific and literary education and western civilisation. Its spread was helped by the employment by Mohamed Aly, head of the Sublime Dynasty, of French professors to teach science in Egyptian schools, of French engineers to carry out important enterprises, and of French artists to create new industries. The French language then accompanied Arabic in Government departments in the "Official Journal," and in all formal communications. The French Mission schools which have been organised in all parts of the country have produced thousands of Egyptian Non-Egyptian students with perfect French knowledge, and these soon entered the Ministries, and other Government departments, banks and other commercial and business establishments. The French language developed so much that it began to be used in transactions and conversation in higher circles; and had it been left to develop, and not been removed by Government schools the number of Egyptians knowing it would have multiplied. When the Native Courts were organised in 1883, shortly after the British occupation of Egypt, they had to take their laws from the French code in French which had already been used at the Mixed Courts. This of course has made many people study the law in both Egypt and France in the same language. In brief both Egyptians and residents of Egypt—Greeks, Syrians, Armenians, Turks, and Persians—speak the French language and wish they could find facilities to learn it. Few of those who have studied English do not thoroughly know French.

EGYPTIANS' LACK OF COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISE.

The "Afkar".—No Egyptian company in the strict sense of the word has been organised on modern lines here, owing to the indifference shown by our wealthy people towards public interest. We fail to see why the rich amongst us turn a deaf ear to our public appeals, we call them to start new companies for the purpose of exploiting the natural resources of Egypt, and giving employment to Egyptian workmen, yet asking them to produce their money and form companies we only ask them to increase their wealth and enlarge the circle of business for their country, which are less rich and less happy. We have seen many Europeans establish companies on the shoulders of simple workmen and they prosper and flourish. Why should the Egyptians not do the same? Where are our purely Egyptian companies? It is painful to say that we have none. Have our countrymen heard of the organisation of an "Egyptian Nile Navigation Company" or of an aerial transport company? We now learn that a group of Greek capitalists of Cairo have decided to organise a new navigation company with a capital of L.E. 40,000 for navigation between Egypt and both Greece and Syria....

THE MAHMOUDIEH CANAL TRAGEDY.

"Wady el-Nil" (apropos of the recent Mahmoudieh tragedy, where a boat in the drawing of several persons in the Canal). — Everybody must understand that the carelessness shown in allowing some parts of the Bridge-gate to remain in the way of vessels, is negligence, and that the stopping of the ferry-boat by the ferryman in the middle of the canal for the purpose of collecting fares quite near the bridge, is dangerous. At a short distance from the bridge on the other side of the Canal there is a Primary Girls' school under the control of the Ministry of Education, and some of the girls who go to that school cannot reach their destination unless they cross over the Canal. The Inspector of Education some ago attracted attention to the fact that it is somewhat dangerous to open the bridge for boats to pass through at the time when the girls leave their schools to go home. He also remarked that it was dangerous to use that ferry-boat, and submitted a formal report to the Municipality suggesting that matters should be put right. After consulting the Director-General of the Municipality and having a long debate on the subject the inspector was told that in order to change the time of opening the bridge of Ragheb the hours fixed for the other bridges would have to be changed as well, and that was not possible. The Inspector that reported the question to the Ministry of Education which instructed the directress of the girls' school in question not to let the girls go until the bridge was reduced for pedestrians.

GOODS TRAIN THEFTS.

A new goods-train theft occurred two days ago at the Mafrouza station where several bales of tobacco to the value of about L.E.500 were stolen by some unknown persons. The theft was immediately reported to the authorities concerned who started an enquiry, with the result that the bales were discovered before the thieves could find sufficient time to dispose of them, though the men themselves have not yet been identified.

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CAIRO MILITARY LEAGUE.

NEW YEAR'S DAY CHARITY MATCHES.

The series of holiday matches organised by the Cairo Military League concluded on New Year's Day. At the ground of the Egyptian State Railway Institute, Saptieh, two very interesting contests took place.

In the morning the Command Depot beat the School of Instruction after a keen struggle in which there was excellent play on both sides, the C.D. winning by 3-1 goals.

A/M. Boyle refereed the game.

In the afternoon keen followers of the sport assembled in force in full expectation of witnessing a really good game, between the Machine Gun Corps—winners of the Sultan's Cup and the "Wallaby" Cup last season—and the "Red Rose" and they were not disappointed.

With the fine records which those two eleven have to their credit in Egypt—quite befitting players who have distinguished themselves in Scotland and Lancashire—there was every assurance of a good entertainment, and the keen interest which the close contest aroused was a tribute to the merits of the two teams.

The teams were as follows:-

MACHINE GUN CORPS.

Lynass, goal; Ledingham and Lacy (Capt.) backs; Lake, Abbott, and Grant, half-backs; Holden, Mackenzie, Smith, Forbes, and Buchan, forwards.

"RED ROSE."

Tattersall, goal; Deakin and Mountain, backs; Clayton, Potts (Capt.) and Sullivan, half-backs; Crothers, Tranter, Edwards, McKeown and Bell, forwards.

Referee, Pte. Law.

Every man in the above list of players is an accomplished footballer; and readers of the "Egyptian Gazette" will recall records in those columns of good things accomplished by them on many occasions. The contest ended in favour of the M.G.C., who scored the only two goals in the match ten minutes from the end of play.

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