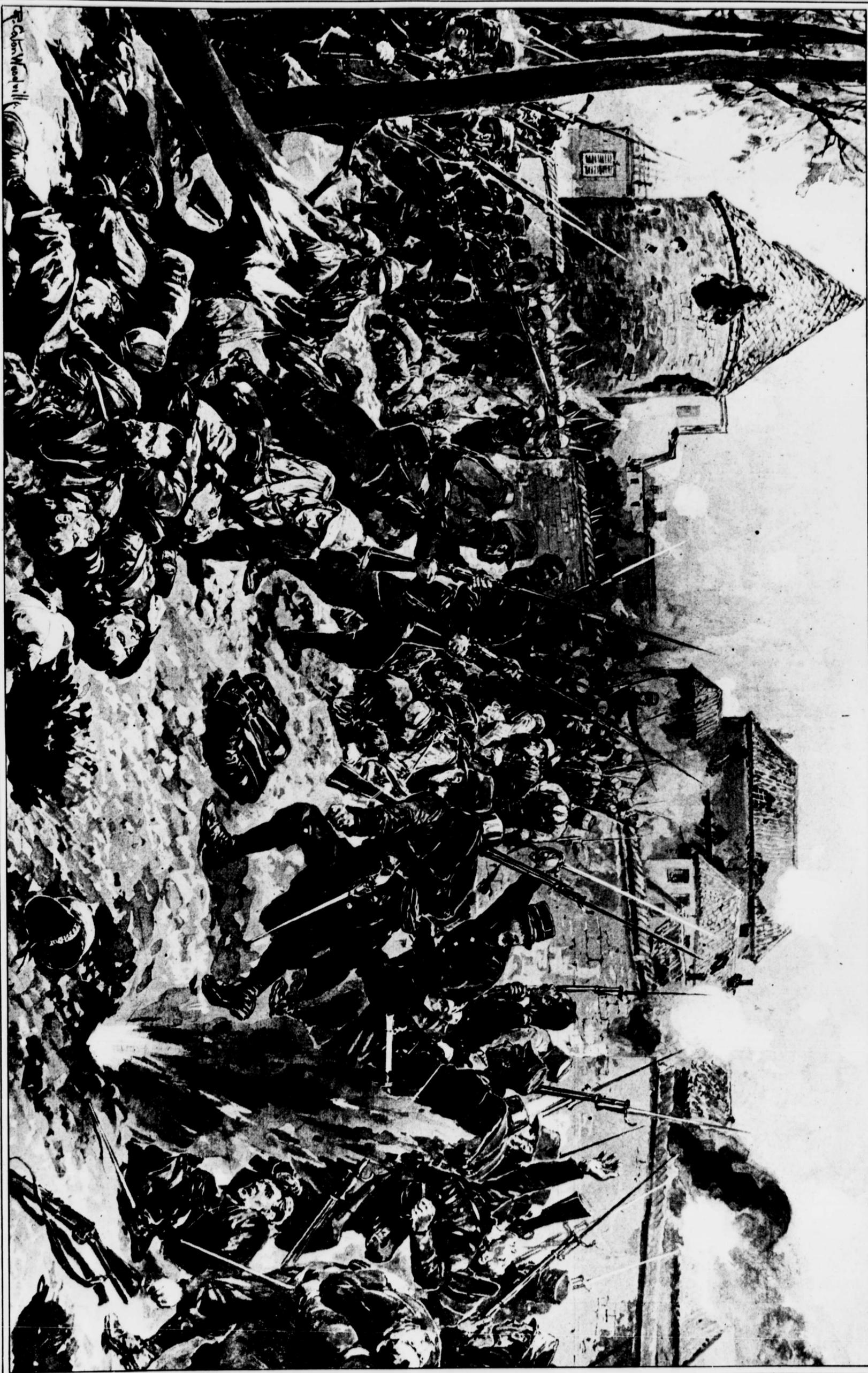


TERRIFIC STRUGGLE FOR THE CHATEAU OF MONDEMENT



CHARGE OF FRENCH INFANTRY. A FLANK ATTACK THROUGH BREACHES IN THE WALL.

The beautiful old Chateau of Mondement, about four miles east of Sezanne, was the scene of some of the fiercest fighting in the Battle of the Marne. The French troops occupied it first, but were driven out by the Germans after a terrific assault. Soon, however, the French brought up their artillery and their infantry rushed the breaches made in the walls. Once more the Germans returned to attack, and succeeded in dislodging the French. Believing that the latter had been driven from the half-demolished chateau the Germans proceeded to

make themselves as comfortable as they could among the ruins and their officers sat down to dinner. The French again attacked and carried the chateau by storm, on this occasion—the fourth time it had changed hands—succeeded in permanently holding it. The struggle for the Chateau of Mondement recalls in some respects that for Hougomont at Waterloo.

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