

and one wounded, but that three war- to force the Dardanelles aim at an ships were damaged by shots from the early release of a large stock of wheat forts. which is locked up in Russian ware-

The British report said that the houses, and which the Allies wish to forts on the European side of the get out both to relieve the markets Straits were silenced on Friday even- and provide Russia with the necessary ing, while none of the warships had credit to pay for war material bought been damaged. abroad.

Germans Renew Irish Coaster **Goes To Bottom** Attack on British

London, Feb. 21.-A small Irish Severe Fighting Near Ypres coasting steamer, the Dronshire Effort to Gain Dominating sunk last night by a German submar-(?Downshire, 365 tuns gross) was Pass in Vosges Ends in ine off the Calf of Man, an Island in the Irish Sea. The Germans gave the Failure -crew five minutes to leave the ship

The crew landed last night at Dun-Paris, Feb. 20 .- Official despatches

from the North state that the Ger- drum. mans have again resumed their attacks against the British forces lying Mine Searcher near Ypres

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It is believed in some quarters that this is the opening of a strong offensive movement by the Cermans, who

Berlin, Feb. 21.-An announcement to the day is the evil thereof," Mr. evidently hope to strike some hard issued by the War Office is as fol- Weir delivered a sound, practical, and blows, while preventing the transfer of any more British troops from the lows :- Near Nieuport an enemy ship, British Isles to the coast of France, by probably a mine-searching vessel, against needless worry and warning

touched a mine and sank; the enemy them against sloth or laziness. means of their submarine blockade. An effort of the Germans to gain a destroyers disappeared when shelled.

position dominating the Pass of Bon Homme, in the Vosges, ended in failur. The German's managed to get a Amer. Steamer foothold upon Hill No. 67, but were attacked by a company of French and put to flight.

The German forces engaged in this action were reservists unused to the Loaded With Cotton For Bre terrors of battle, and they fied befor the rushes of the seasoned French Veterans.

An artillery duel is in progress near Lys Eyver, and also near Rheims.

Berlin, Feb. 21.-The American on her last trip, and had to run to war, and therefore has modified mater-In Champagne near Perthes, Souain, steamer Evelyn, which sailed from Louisburg where she landed passen- lially her views on peace conditions to and Beauseneuar repeated attacks are New York on January 29th, with a gers and mails. being made by both sides. Every kind cargo of cotton for Bremen, struck a of operation known to warfare is in mine off Borkum Island in the North use there. Sapping and mining opera- Sea yesterday. The vessel sank. tions are followed by long bombard-The captain and 27 of the crew were ments, and infantry charges. Snipers saved. are engaged all the time.

It has not been learned of what stroyed the Evelyn.

men Strikes a Mine Off

Borkum Island

owners of ships Will have to prove to the President of the F.P.U. that seals are not worth more.

Swiss Fire

positions at Rochesy.

Italian Paper

taining -xcellent military position

over Bonfal.

North Sydney harbor is usually here by the Secretary of State for the

blocked with heavy ice at this time of Vatican says the Giornale de Italia

the year, and this season the same con shows that Germany, although main-

The Kyle was unable to get there feels seriously the consequences of the

There is much ice in the Gulf also | The paper adds the Pontiff considers |

and the steamer had to do some man- such condition of affairs lends itself

ouvering to reach Port aux Basques. favorably to diplomatic steps. He is

be "imposed."

At the Grenfell Hall

last night to hear an address from

Mr. Weir, of the Halifax School for

Taking for his text "Take no

hought for the morrow, for sufficient

timely address, advising his hearers

Mr. Jones pleasingly rendered the

sacred solo "Ever remembered by

what we have done" and Miss Jessie

At North Sydney

Barnes was accompanist.

ditions exist.

the Blind.

Blown Up

Meets Disaster Ice Blockade

A large gathering assembled here

Eloquent-Preacher Fr. Cox, S.J. preached his opening

On Aeroplane sermon of a Lenten series at last Mass at the Cathedral yesterday. At the meeting of the Holy Name Society in

Berne, Feb. 22 .- Swiss soldiers the afternoon he again spoke, and he opened fire yesterday on aeroplanes, delivered a very powerful sermon in said to have been German, which flew the Cathedral during prayers at night. fective fire by our artillery. The Father speaks well, and every A machine was struck by nine bulsentence of his delivery is impressive. lets and the pilot was forced to descend at Fer Rette, after hovering over His utterance is most clear and distinct, and penetrates throughout the vast building. His views are taken from a large field of missionary experfence, and he possesses the secret of getting and holding the interest and deep attention of his congrega-

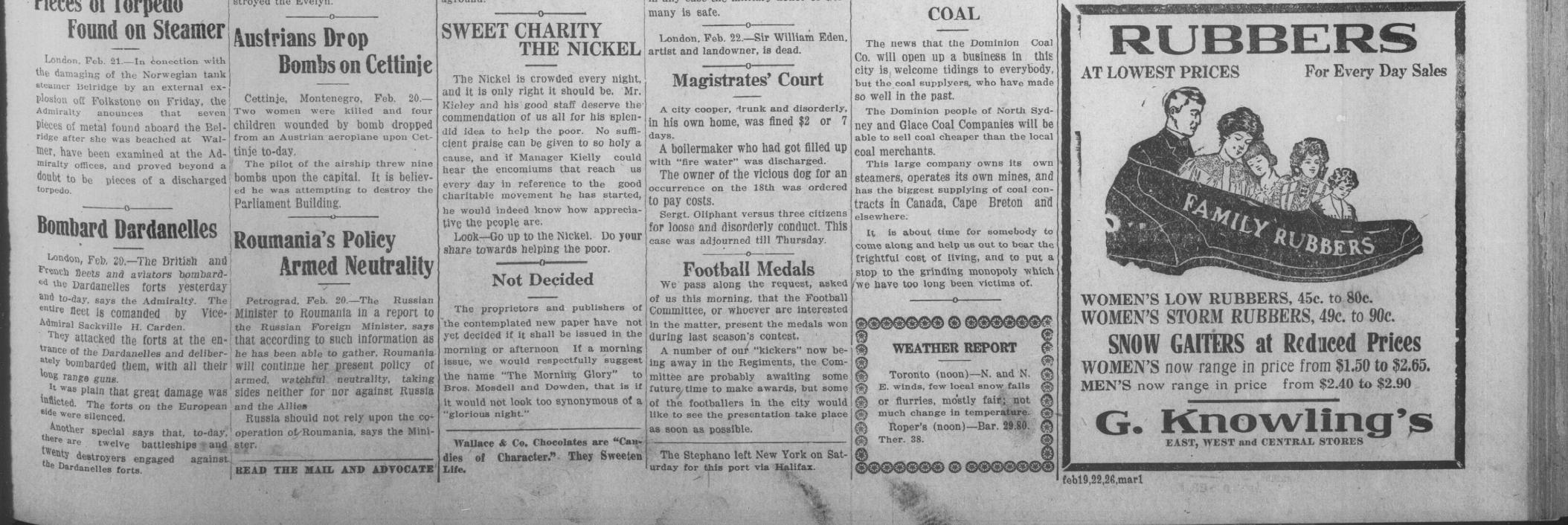
Speaks of Peace tion Though yet a young man, he has done considerable work in the great Rome, Feb. 22.-Reports received

missionary service cause, and this fact is emphasised by the ability he has already shown. His sermon of last night has been pronounced one of the best of any mission sermon de-

livered here, and the vast congregation was held by the oratory of the Father from the start to finish.

Fr. Cox will, during the Lenten season, preach at the Cathedral on Sunday and Wednesday, nights at St. Pat-Cape Race reports an ice blockade reported again to have interpellated rick's on Friday nights, whilst instrucextending far South, and a cool and Emperor William to know on what tions will be given to the children of

unfriendly iceberg visitor about 12 conditions Germany would be dispos- the different Catholic schools during nationality was the mine which de- miles in that direction, and apparently ed to negotiate peace, observing that each afternon of each week. in any case the military honor of Ger-



few engagements of little importance. London, Feb. 20 .- The steamship At Les Eparges, south-east of Ver-Cambank, of Cardiff, was torpedoed dun, after having repulsed the sixth to-day off Almwich ay, Wales, by a counter attack, by the enemy, we de-German submarine, without warning. livered a fresh attack, enlarging and The third engineer and two firemen completing the progress realized on of the Cambank were killed. Another Friday. We took three machine guns, two member of the crew was drowned trench mortars and two hundred whil getting into a boat. prisoners, including several officers. In positions which we carried at Xon Artillery Efective we found the bodies of soldiers belonging to five regiments.

Counter Attack by Enemy Colton Cargo Brilliantly Repulsed The French Master of Situation North of Leomenits

ber of Crew Drowned

Paris, Feb. 21 (official)-There has Bryan announced the receipt of a telebeen intermittent canonading from gram last night from the American the sea to the Aisne with a very ef- Consul at Bremen, reporting the loss

Third Engineer and Two Fire Paris, Feb. 21.-The following of-

men Killed-Another Mem the war office last night.-

ficial communication was issued by

"In the Argonne there have been a

tack by the enemy, which was bril- Secretary Bryan repeated the Conliantly repulsed, was followed by a sul's telegram to Ambassador Page, ligorous pursuit which made us mas- London and Ambassador Gerard, Berters of the whole of the German posi- lin, with instructions to learn all postion to the north and east of the wood sible facts and give every care to the we captured yesterday. crew, if landed, in their respective On the rest of the front two other jurisdicition.

counter attacks were repulsed, and we At the German Embassy it was made fresh progress particularly to pointed out that the accident must

the north of Leomenits, where we have been caused by a mine as Gercaptured two machine guns.

many is sorely in need of cotton and would have no object in torpedoing a vessel laden with such cargo for Ger-**Appeals To Volunteers** man consumption.

During his sermon at last Mass yes- Early press despatches from Berlin terday, Fr. Cox, S.J., made a powerful announcing the loss of the vessel by a appeal to the Volunteers who were mine caused somewhat of a sensapresent, never to forget the tenets of tion in this capital, where the tension their religion, or the practice of it, and has been more or less pronounced to remember that true soldier and a over the situation in the war zones. true patriot are never ashamed of the It is practically conceded that if the

cause of the accident was proved to be faith of their Church. The incident made the congregation a mine, there probably would be no look upon the good Father with a ground for diplomatic action by Uninewer interest, to mark how he had ted States, as laying of mines is not seen "our boys" in the church, and so prohibited by any international law l'now in force. kindly appealed to them.

