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Several Belgian newspaper editors have been sentenced to one or two months imprisonment by the German military court in Antwerp.

Baron Wessels, a member of the South African parliament, is being tried for high treason. There is evidence that he induced five hundred burghers to join the rebels.

A German proclamation in Brussels declares that any Belgian between 16 and 40 years crossing the dutch frontier to join the allies army will do so at the risk of being shot at the frontier.

The steamer Larrinaga, from the United States, has landed 2,500 tons of wheat at Barcelona. The wharves are already encumbered with vast quantities of cereals from other steamers for which no purchasers can be found.

A Vienna despatch to Venice says that the City Council and Press are demanding that the Austrian Government immediately follow Germany's example and confiscate all stocks of grain, flour and meat. The papers declare that a great catastrophe threatens, unless this is done.

The revenue cutter Itasca reported at Norfolk Va. by wireless on Jan. 27th that it was believed the Italian steamship Angelo Parodi had sunk about 300 miles off Cape Henry, with all on board. Marine men said the vessel carried a crew of about twenty-seven men.

Amherst, N. S., was visited by a $40,000 fire last Saturday night which destroyed four business houses. The fire started at ten Saturday night and was not conquered till Sunday afternoon. One fireman and two others were slightly hurt by falling timber and glass.

Sir Richard Crawford took up his duties in Washington on Jan. 27th as commercial attachie of the British embassy. One of the first developments of the plan of placing a special representative of the British government there to deal with commercial aspects of the war will be the conclusion of final arrangements between American wool interests and the London Foreign Office for bringing wool into the conntry.

With a cargo of foodstuffs valued at $450,000 contributed by the people of Ganada, for the starving Belgians, the steamer Treneglos sailed from Halifax on Tuesday of last week for London. As the ship steamed down the harbor on her mission of mercy, shipping in port and people on the pears gave her an enthustastic send off. The steamer after receiving orders at London will proceed to Rotterdam to discharge her cargo. This is the fourth Belgian relief ship to sail from Halifax.

"My poor children, if only their sacrifice may be of service to their country," exclaimed Senator Emile Chautemps the former Minister of Marine, on learning in the lobby of the Senate Paris. that his son Felix, former member of the Chamber of Deputies had been killed in Alsace. Felix Chautemps had recently been promoted lieutenant from the ranks and decorated with the Legion of Honor for distinguished service. Another son, Maurice, was killed in battle in December, and a third Pierre was greviously wounded. The eldest son, Henri, was murdered in West Africa while on a military mission.

The annual statement of the Rhodes' Scholarship Trust for 1913 14 shows that the number of scholars in residence at Oxford in the course of the academic year was 177, of whom seventy-six were from the colonies, eighty-eight from the United States, and thirteen from Germany. Since the outbreak of war a large percentage of the colonial scholars have joined the forces, while twenty of the American students were granted leave to assist the Belgian Relief Fund. Colonials and Americans alike will be allowed to resume their scholarships at the end of the war. The next election of scholars for the Dominions and the colonies will be held towards the end of the present year.

The British Parliament opened yesterday.

The Dominion Parliament opens tomorrow.

Chacago, Feb—Wheat jumped to a new record price today. The May delivery sold at $154.

A decree prohibiting the export of potash salts and the manufacture thereof is published in the Reichs Anxelger Berlin

Wellington, Feb. 1—It is announced that New Zealand has arranged to purchase a million bushels of Canadian wheat for July delivery.

It was officially announced from Rome that the casualties in the city of Avezzano, resulting from the recent earthquake, were 9,238 dead and 2,04,0 of whom the majaority were injured.

A. A. McLean and D. Nicholson M. P's. left here Sunday night for Georgetown and crossed to the mainland on Monday, *en route* to Ottawa to attend the Parliamentry session.

Fire emanating from an overheated stove gutted the Lindsay block, a threestorey brick structure and Parkhill's Ont., best business block, last Friday night entailing an estimated loss of $50,000.

Lt. General Sir George Bryan Millman for many years in the fifth fusiliers is dead in London aged 93. He served with distinction in the Indian mutiny. From 1870 to 1890 he was in charge of the tower of London.

A Reuter despatch from Northeastern France to London reports that the Princess Patricia's Light Infantry, the first Canadian troops to reach the front, took part in the defence of the British trenches near La Bassee, which were attacked by Germans on Jan. 25th, and lost four men killed and a number wounded. The next day Lieut. Price, of the Canadians, was killed while leading his company into a trench Another officer named Pearson is also reported killed. The Canadians took a number of German prisoners and inflicted severe damage on the Landstrum Regiment which attacked their trenches.

The steamer Morwenna under charter by the Red Cross line to take a general cargo of merchandise to Newfoundland was in collision with the Darmouth Ferry boat in Halifax Harbor Saturday evening, while pulling out from the railway terminals to start on her voyage to St. John's. A hole was stove in the bow of the Morwenna above the water lina. It will probably take ten days to complete repairs.

A recital of recent developments in the war by the official observer attached to British Military Headquarters, given out in London the other day includes a description of new projectiles employed by the Germans. In some parts of our front the Germans are firing a new type of high explosive shell, detonating with a cloud of thick, white smoke, the report says. The mine thrower also occasionally throws a very large grey bomb or aerial torpedo, three feet nine inches long and nearly ten inches wide. It weighs more than 200 pounds.

Owing to the fact that Europe purchases nearly 50 per cent. of the Canadian lobster pack yearly there were rumors that, on account of the war, next season's pack would be very cheap, says the Commercial. On interviewing a number of lobster packers, they report that there will be very few packed this year, as they have no money. Nearly every packer had from ten to fifty thousand dollars worth of lobsters in Europe, sold and delievered just before the war started, which has not yet been paid for, and they are not sure if they will ever get a settlement. One packer has $30,000 worth in Hamburg, Germany, and he needs the money, or he cannot open his plant. All kind of quotations are flying about, but what few first class lobsters there are on the market are being held. Several lobster plants are for sale.—Halifax Chronicle.

The weather for the last few days has been extremely wintry. The mercury slipped down to the vicinity of thirteen below Saturday night and on Monday night was down to twelve below. These figures refer to the city. In other sections of the Province several more degrees of cold were registered.

Deadly British Fire.

London, Jan. 27—The Scotchman today publishes a narrative of a German bluejacket, one of the survivors of the German armored cruiser Bluecher, who once lived in the United States. The bluejacket said the German fleet was advancing at full speed, to attack the Engiish coast when the British warships were sighted. There-upon the Germans turned and made for port. The Bluecher, which was comparatively slow, made desperate efforts to keep up her maximum speed, but the British overhealuled and opened fire on her at a range of about ten miles, "We were under fire from first to last," the bluejacket continued. "The British centered their fire on us. Their fire was awful. Our guns were put out of action, our decks were swept and our crews wiped out.

"One shell burst in the heart of the ship, where many men who had collected were killed.

"I saw five killed with one shell next to me.

"I do not know what finished the Bluecher, as she was full of holes but I head she was struch a torpedo. If so we can thank the torpedo for saving hundreds of lives from the murderous gun fire. When the ship was sinking I jumped clear of her into the terribly cold water, which was full of dead men and men with shattered limbs who were crying for assistance. After being rescued by the British we were warmed. fed and clothed."

The sailor is credited with saying that during the raid on Scarborough the men believed they were taking part in a great naval action which was extending all over the North Sea.

The Scotchman, which is published in Edinburgh, also prints other accounts of the battle as gathered from men engaged in it. They described it as one of the greatest struggles in navel history and thrilling in every respect.

From the position of the German fleet when it was first encountred, these men assumed that it is virtually certain that its objective was Newcastle. The strength of the rading squadron was quickly ascertained and as the entire raiding force sheered off immediately after it was discovered the chase was a long one before the guns began their work.

For forty miles the two fleets raced along over the shortest route for Heligoland before the guns did any real damage. Then the Lion, which was leading overhauled the slow Bluecher, and in passing, gave her a broadside, causing frightful damage. The Lion did not wait however, but continued in pursuit of the fleeing Derflinger, Seydlits and Moltke.

The Tiger which came next, also poured a broadcast into the Bleucher, as did also the Princess Royal, both of which were speeding on to join in the chase of the others. It was already evident at this time, according to the newspaper's informants, that the Bleucher, abandoned by her swifter consorts, was a doomed ship.

Fishermen Adrift.

Buffalo, Jan. 28--Three hundred fishermen were in grave danger of being carried down the Niagara River on an ice floe tonight. They were rescued by fire tugs. At midnight it was believed all had been brought ashore, but several had not been definitely accounted for. A fire tug will cruise through the broken ice until daylight. The fishermen had been working off Windmill Point, about twelve miles up the north shore of Lake Erie. They were returning at nightfall when they were held up by a channel of open water. Men with dog teams were sent south and it was found that the break had been caused by the shifting of a big float during the afternoon and extended to the steel plant district, five miles west of the harbor entrance. The fishermen had assembled in a crowd, about a half a mile out, awaiting the arrival of a boat or a shift in the ice that would bring them in. About nine o'clock it was discovered that a huge section of the ice on which they had gathered, had broken free, and was drifting toward the head of the river. Word of the fisherman's plight had in the meantime reached the police and two fire tugs were sent out. It took the boats until midnight to pick up the men and land them at the harbor entrance. There were reports of men missing, but it is believed many of these started for the south shore of the lake before the break occurred, and will return in the morning.

DIED.

MOONEY—At Iona on Feb. 1st, Margaret Mooney, daughter of Mrs. Sarah Mooney, aged 21 years. R. I. P.

HOGAN—Jan. 27th Elizabeth Hogan, aged 69 years. R. I. P.

MULLINS—At her home on Pownal St. Charlottetow, Sunday, Jan. 31st, Mrs. Patrick Mullins. R. I. P.

MATTHEWS—On Jan. 30th, George A. Matthews, aged 67 years.

FENNESSEY--Sunday Jan. 31st. at 3.30 at the home of his sister, Miss Catherine Fennessey, John Fennessey, aged 52, after years of patient and uncomplaining suffering. He never made any enemy and ever avoided giving trouble to others. May his soul rest in peace.

McDONALD—At East Boston Stephen Aeneas McDonald of West St. Peter's P. E. I. Death was due to pneumonia, following a very brief illness. Deceased leaves to mourn besides his father and mother, four brothers and two sisters, Mrs. John F. McAdam, Savage Harbor, Miss Bessie McDonald, Roxbury, Mass., John A. and Alexander in East Boston, Allan Joseph on D.G.S. Tyrian, and Norman F. on the old homestead. One brother Daniel Alexander died seven years ago. A High Mass of Requiem was celebrated at the Sacred Heart Church. May his soul rest in peace.

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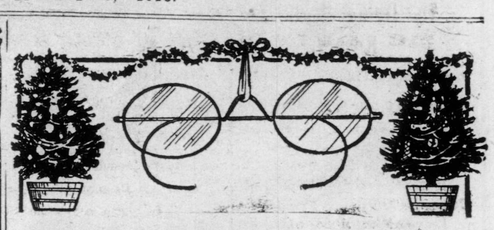

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