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TO PENSION

BIG DRIVE BY BRITISH LIKELY; FEWER LARGE VESSELS SUNK

ONLY EIGHT BIG SHIPS

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The summary:

"Arrivals 2,805; sailings 2,737.
"British merchant ships over 1,500 tons sunk, eight; under 1,600 tons including nine proviously, twenty.

"British merchant vessels unsuccessfully attacked, str.

"Fishing vessels sunk, one."

Unusual Record.

The number of vessels of more than 1,500 tons is the largest family attacked, str.

"The number of vessels of more than 1,500 tons is the largest for any week, but one, since mid-February. But the number under 1,600 tons is the largest for any week, but one, since mid-February. The total number of vessels of more than 1,500 tons is the largest for any week, but one, since mid-February. The total number of vessels of more than 1,500 tons is the largest for any week, but one, since mid-February. The total number of showed and the sunk by sunk is the largest since the week ending June 24.

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The Evening Standard says:

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WAR ELECTION MEASURE IS PASSED

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Germany Plans For Another Peace Move

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Week.

London, Sept. 19.—The flood of socalled peace rumors which the German
censor is permitting to sprout in leadthe London press and public that Berlin is
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affair is that the German censor appoars to be permitting the newspapers
to discuss the matter forms

A careful reading of the column of man Newspapers—Definite Move Expected

SOAP BOX SEDITION DENOUNCED IN U.S.

New York, Sept. 19.—"Soap bot sedition" was denounced by speak ors at a luncheon of the America: Defense Society here today and resolutions passed for a nation wide campaign "to suppress treasonable orators and to suspend al treasonable newspapers whether it German, English or other languager."

Tremendous Gun-Fire Throughout Flanders

Attack on Larger Scale Than Usual Daily Raids by **British Appears Probable—Argentine Likely to** Break With Huns.

Bombardment by the British artillery of the German lines in the Ypres sector, in Flanders, continues most intense, but there has been no infantry movement in force. An attack on a larger scale than the usual daily raids probably is imminent.

Berlin apparently is much exercised cover the ever-increasing volume of shell from the British big guns. From the Houtholst Wood northeast of Ypres, to the River Lys, on the Belgo-French border, Berlin reports, the British fire has been destructive. Field Marshal Haig's artillery increased its volume of fire to drum, fire several times.

As on the front in Flanders and Artois, there has been no major operation on the French portion of the western front. At several points from the Aisne Valley to Lorraine, the French have carried out raids into the German defenses. Here, too, the expenditure of amunition is great, especially on the Alsne front and northeast of Verdun.

Italians More Active.

British Statement.

The American steamer Platuria, of 3,445 tons, owned by the Standard Oil Company, has been torpedoed with the loss of her master and eight members of the crew.
Forty-five survivors have been landed. The sinking of two German authorises is reported unofficially from Norway. One was sent to the bottom by an armed American merchantman, and the other was accounted for by a British destroyer.
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TRADE OF THE DOMINION

Canada's Great Trade Expansion Continues Unabated-Increase This Year of Probably Five **Hundred Million Dollars.**

Government Commission Enquiry Into Cold Storage Situation in Canada Resumed—Was One Price for U. S. Product and Another fer Canadian.

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nost to secure the greatest produc-ion of all that is necessary for feeding he population.
"With my best wishes, believe me

"Yours truly,
"(Signed) J. H. Rainville."
Mr. LaPointe asked if regulations
had been made along the lines indicated in the letter and if the deputy