EARLY MESSAGES

TWO BRITISH DESTROYERS LOST —HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE.

LONDON, Jan. 17.

The British Admiralty announces two torpedo boat destroyers were lost in the violent gale and heavy snow storm of last night. The vessels ran ashore on the Scotch coast and were totally wrecked and all hands aboard were lost, except one man.

AUSTRIANS MAKE DESPERATE ATTACKS.

ROME, Jan. 17.

The Austrians yesterday made desperate and prolonged attempts to recapture positions taken Monday by the Italians east of Capo Sile on the Lower Piave front. The war office announces that the Austrians were repulsed leaving 119 prisoners in the hands of the Italians, while the battle ground was covered with enemy dead, and with more than six hundred rifles.

GARFIELD'S ORDER POSTPONED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.

Fuel Administrator Garfield's drastic order restricting the use of fuel which is effective at midnight tonight was promulgated shortly before 6 o'clock. Within a few minutes after the Senate adopted a resolution asking that the order be postponed for five days. Official vote of the Senate was 50 to 19. Virtually no substantial changes were made in the order though some war industries specially designated will be exempted from the provision of closing manufacturing plants for five days, beginning to-morrow, and for Monday holidays during the next ten weeks. The resolution adopted by the Senate is as follows: "Resolved that the Fuel Administrator of the United States be, and he is hereby requested to delay for five days the order suspending the operation of industrial plants in portions of the United States in order that protests may be heard and investigation made and information presented."

SOLVING THE FUEL PROBLEM.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.

In a statement to-day detailing the plight of the railroads and the expected relief which the federal fuel order should bring in clearing the freight congestion, A. H. Smith, Assistant Director General of railroads said that the feuling of 100 or more ships held in New York Harbor for lack of bunker coal, would have a far reaching effect on the general situation. When fueled, he said, they will take cargo which in turn releases freight occupying space required to take in other freight, which should back in cars on the piers in the yards and on the side tracks which have been congesting operations. It is the story of "the House that Jack built" reversed. This is the coal that the fuel ship can take freight, that cleared space, that released freight from cars and from yards that blocked the road.

GERMAN ATTEMPT TO POISON CROPS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.

Germany's latest attempt to destroy the wheat crop in California and other States has taken the form of a shipment to this country of a powerful poison pollen to be distributed by German agents in such a manner as to kill the entire output of this State, according to a bulletin issued to-day by the State Council of Defence.

GERMAN SUB. COMMANDER A PRISONER.

LONDON, Jan. 17.

Baron Von Spiegel und Zu Peckelsheim, commander of the German submarine U-202, who wrote and widely circulated the narrative of the voyage of that undersea boat, has been a prisoner in England for some time, it became known to-day. Von Spiegel, who in his book said he himself had seen British hospital ships carrying arms and munitions, admitted to the British authorities that he had never seen anything of the kind.

GERMAN GENERAL KILLED.

LONDON, Jan. 17.

Alvices received at Amsterdam from Germany, forwarded by the Central News, report that Major General Von Auer was killed on January 8th.

THAT NAVAL RAID.

BERLIN, Jan. 17.

British Admiralty per wireless press: The following official statement was issued to-day: On the night of Monday and Tuesday light German naval forces undertook a raid through the southern part of the North Sea. They encountered neither enemy warship nor mercantile vessel, though they advanced to the mouth of the Thames, close to the English coast, where they subjected important port establishments from close ranges and under good conditions of visibility to effective artillery fire, more than 300 shots being discharged.

The British Admiralty this evening commented as follows concerning the official statement of the German admiralty dealing with the naval attack on the English coast towns. With reference to the glowing reference of the Germans to the operations of their light naval forces on the night of Monday, the actual facts are as follows: The town of Yarmouth, situated nearly 100 miles north of the mouth of the Thames was subjected to bombardment in pitch darkness that lasted five minutes, when enemy ships withdrew. It resulted in the death of four persons and wounding of eight others. Careful investigation proved that approximately only fifty small shells fell in or near the towns, and that no other shells fell on any other part of our coast that night.

AMENDMENT REJECTED.

LONDON, Jan. 17.

The Commons by vote of 136 to 48 to-day rejected an amendment to the man-power bill which proposed to apply conscription to Ireland.

WILL NOT RECOGNIZE LENINE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.

A conference of diplomats in Petrograd with Premier Lenine regarding the arrest of the Roumanian Minister will not be construed by the U. S. Government as a recognition of a de facto character of the Bolsheviki Government. It was made clear at the State Department to-day that while there exists no question as to the de facto character in Petrograd there is no assurance of its ability to control a large part of the country, and until the exercise of much wider influence is displayed, there probably would be no recognition even as a de facto government.

THE BOLSHEVIKI.

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 17.

The Lokal Ukranian Information Bureau announces that it is in possession of information showing that the Russian-Bolsheviki troops are tearing up railways and destroying stations and undermining the bridges in order to capture or disperse the Ukranian troops coming northward. The Bureau says the Bolsheviki troops repeatedly have lured Ukranian units into traps near Minek, disarmed them and committed various deeds of violence, and then sent them north as prisoners. The announcement adds that great numbers of German prisoners are returning from Siberia and that the Ukranians are taking their places.

MANUFACTURERS PROTEST.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.

A protest against the coal order was wired President Wilson to-day by the National Association of Manufacturers, declaring that the order carried possibilities for appalling disaster to our country; that additions to burdens already being carried out by the country's industries will inequitably result in a breakdown.

TAKES OVER RUSSIAN CREDITS.

LONDON, Jan. 17.

Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced in the House to-day that the British Government had arranged to take over the payment of Russian credits in Treasury bills maturing this month in exchange for three year exchequer bonds at par at the present market value. The exchequer bonds are worth about 82. The effect of the Government's programme is that the treasury insures holders of this paper against loss. At a premium of 18 per cent. the total cost to the government the Chancellor said would be 17,500,000 pounds.

SINN FEIN PROTEST.

DUBLIN, Jan. 17.

The Supreme Council of Sinn Fein on behalf of the Irish Republican Party announced they were sending a resolution to President Wilson also to Russia and France protesting against the treatment of their representative Dr. McCarten, who, the resolution says now lies in a British prison in Canada, being seized for presenting to President Wilson and the Congress of America a demand of Ireland for the right of government as laid down by President Wilson. The resolution calls on Irishmen throughout the world to demand the immediate release of our envoy. The fact that Dr. McCarten is being proceeded against in New York and that he has been released on bail was announced in the Irish papers some days ago.

GERMAN TRAIN WRECKED.

LONDON, Jan. 17.

A German official despatch dated Saarbruecken, Rheinische, Prussia, yesterday, reports the wreck of a train bearing soldiers on leave, due to the collapse of an embankment near Kern, causing death to some passengers and injury to others. The engine, baggage and two passenger cars were overturned. No further details are given.

FLOUR SHORTAGE.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Jan. 17.

Reports of a serious shortage of flour and breadstuffs in Cuba were confirmed by passengers arriving here to-day by steamer from Havana. At the time the ship sailed, passengers said, there wasn't a pound of white flour in Havana, and no bread, crackers, or biscuits to be had in the city. Crackers have recently sold as high as a dollar a pound, passengers asserted, and bread riots are threatened.

PREMIER LENINE'S ORDER.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 17.

Premier Lenine to-day signed an order for the arrest of King Ferdinand of Roumania who is to be sent to Petrograd for imprisonment in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul. The order for the King's arrest describes in detail the way it is to be carried out and the way the King is to be guarded. The Bolshevikis believe they have sufficient forces on the Roumanian front to carry it out.

BAKER COMMITS SUICIDE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.

William H. Baker, former Vice-President of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Co., and former Secretary of the Western Union Telegraph Co., committed suicide to-day by shooting himself in the Hotel Ansonia. Baker has been suffering from nervous breakdown, as a sequence of an operation.

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Concert at Petty Hr.

On the nights of Dec. 26 and 27 a very enjoyable concert was given in St. Andrew's Hall, Petty Harbor with success. Long before the time arrived for the doors to open, the people had gathered in front of the building seeking admission, and by eight o'clock, the time set for the concert to begin, every available seat in the hall was filled.

The concert was opened with a short address from the Rev. Mr. Hewett, after which the opening chorus (Songs of the Sea) was sung. Then came the side-splitting dialogues, which kept the building in one loud applause from beginning to end. The parts taken by the different performers were creditably mastered with tact and ability. The songs too were nicely rendered.

On Jan. 7th the concert was repeated with the same success. The magnificent sum of one hundred and thirty-seven dollars ($137.00) was realized for the three nights, which with the exception of twelve dollars ($12.00) which goes to the Halifax Relief Fund, will be devoted to the repairs of the school property. After the concert a very enjoyable dance was indulged in.

The performers wish to thank all those who kindly contributed or helped in any way in making the concerts a success. Special thanks are due to the Rev. Mr. Hewett who kindly acted as Chairman, Miss Hewett who so ably acted as organist, and the good ladies of the Guild who kindly provided refreshments.—J.B.

City Council.

At last night's meeting of the City Council the Public Health Officer submitted a lengthy report dealing with the smallpox outbreak. Forty-six cases are at present being dealt with all of which have been traced to the one source, namely King's Cove, B.B. The disease is of a very mild type, and no deaths has occurred to date. It is hoped that the city will be rid of the disease within a few weeks.

A communication from the N.I.W.A. dealing with the condition of the fish markets and public lavatories, was read by the Secretary. As the city is without sufficient funds to do anything of a permanent nature, nothing can be done in the matter. However the Council will meet a deputation of the N. I. W. A. and hear their views on the matter.

Three months of winter due you—you need a good Overcoat and must have one. We have a splendid stock to select from, and can give you the latest and smartest cut; and, listen, perhaps a cut in price, too. SPURRELL the Tailor, 365 Water St. 'Phone 574.—jan16,eod,tf

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Collection at St. Paul's Church, Hr. Grace, Jan. 6, 1918	15 08
Collection at St. Stephen's Church, Salvage, Jan. 6, 1918, per Rev. E. H. Humphries	22 80
Mrs. Joliffe Quinton, Princeton	2 00
Collection at All Saints Church, Pouch Cove, Jan. 6, 1918, per Rev. A. E. Tulk	18 57
Collection at St. Paul's Ch., Hr. Buffett, Jan. 6, '18	5 25
Miss E. Churchill	3 00
School Children, Little Hr. T.B.	1 00
Collection at St. Saviour's Church, Hermitage, Jan. 1, 1918, on the occasion of L.O.A. Service, per Rev. W. R. Courage	19 17
	$32,851.82

In addition to above $5.00 each has been received for the benefit of Privates Harold Andrews and William Quinton, from their mothers, which amounts have been forwarded to the Nfld. War Contingent Association.

F. H. STEER, Treasurer.

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram.

CAPE RACE, To-day.

Wind N.W., blowing strong, weather dull; no vessels sighted to-day. Bar. 29.35; Ther. 30.

Scott's Clearance Sale.

Make a Special Trip to the Store To-morrow; if only for a few moments, come.

So full of interest are displays and the store so alive with activity that you will confess the time was better than well spent. Special values to-morrow to make the trip worth while. We wish to dispose of all odds and broken lots of merchandise at clearing prices. Of course you will find dozens upon dozens of groups in the store. Among them we make mention of these few.

LADIES' CORSETS.
A perfect fitting Corset, made of good wearing material; all sizes; some are fitted with suspenders and some are not. Sold in the regular way for $1.00. Sale Price, per pair 85c

CUP TOWELING.
A 14 inch Cotton Toweling; just the thing for that kitchen roller, and can be used for a face towel. Come prepared to buy libearily, for this price will be in force while quantity lasts. Sale Price, per yard 8c

LADIES' FLEECE VESTS.
Another example of what you may expect in this clearance. These undergarments are splendidly made in every way and good fitting.
Cream colour, assorted sizes, each 48c
White colour, assorted sizes, each 50c

COT BLANKETS.
Only 12 pairs left, in pure white with coloured border; size 30 in. by 40 in. The right thing for this time of the year. Sale Price, per pair 53c

BLOUSES.
Excellent values in up-to-date Blouses of very soft, fine Muslins and Striped Linen, etc. Here you will find a most elaborate display of the choicest styles, with the latest collar effect. Come, as we would like you to see these values. Sale Price, each 98c

CHILDREN'S MILLINERY.
We are offering to clear a line of Children's Hats in Felts, etc., trimmed and untrimmed, all colours. We have this line on exhibition in our east window. We ask you to see the values offered. Values up to $1.50 each. Sale Price, each 79c

CHILDREN'S HOSIERY.
In assorted sizes. We are going to urge you for even a moment to buy these in large quantities. The supply on hand is too limited, while quantity lasts. Reg. price 28c. Sale Price, per pair .. 23c

REMNANTS.
Our Remnant Counter is again loaded with bargains in Fleece Calico, White, Striped and Grey Flannelette, White Shirting, Blouse Goods of assorted materials, Regatta, etc. Come early and get what you require while the assortment is large.

WOMEN'S WOOL HOSE.
Women's heavy winter Hose. At each price you will find these Stockings of supreme value. Don't let these slip without you seeing them. Only a limited quantity.
Heavy weight, per pair 47c
Extra heavy weight, per pair 88c

WOMEN'S FLEECE HOSE.
Good wearing Hose for winter wear. These are full length Hosiery, with ribbed garter top and fleece lined. Sale Price, per pair 43c

WOMEN'S RUBBERS.
Sizes 3 to 6 in Low Rubber Shoes. We bought this lot before rubber advanced in price, so here is an opportunity of purchasing a pair of Rubbers at the old price. Sale Price per pair 59c

MEN'S GREY SWEATER COATS.
Heavy make, with collar that can be worn buttoned closely about the neck or turned down; two side pockets. Sale Price, each.. $2.50

ODD LOTS OF SHOES TAKE THEIR PLACE IN THIS SALE.
We have a few lines of Ladies' Footwear that we are anxious to clear in order to make room for incoming stocks. Here we group Lace and Buttoned Boots in Cloth Tops and Vici Leather Boots. Values up to $3.50 per pair. Sale Price, per pair.. .. .. .. $2.85

WOMEN'S HIGH BOOTS.
Here you can have the latest and most up-to-date style at a small cost. We can give you long or short vamp pointed toes, Black or Tan and various tops of cloth or leather. Sale Price, per pair $4.90

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