

landed on the French shore is taken to mean that the whole army for the Continent has crossed the channel. The presence of German cavalry fifteen miles south-east of Brussels has caused the transference of the Belgian capital to Antwerp. The Uhlans are now in some force west and north of Namur. As the Liege forts may not hold out much longer, Namur may soon be besieged.

Aug. 19—German cavalry patrols have been seen east and northeast of Antwerp. Namur may now be cut off from the Belgian capital.

Aug. 20—If the French official bureau is to be believed, the Germans have secured the initial advantage in the first great battle of the war, a battle that began on Sunday and may continue ten days before it definitely can be said that either side has been victorious. The statement given out in Paris says that "The enemy, finding the routes to the southward strongly held by the French and Belgians, discovered an opening in the north. This may entirely change the strategy on both sides." The forts at Liege were reduced on Monday. Sweeping westward, north of the Meuse, communications between the Belgian capital and the fortress of Namur were quickly severed. Well to the southward the Germans' centre army, instead of continuing towards Stenay, in the direction of Paris, seems to have succeeded in crossing the Meuse directly south of Namur, probably between Dinant and Givet, and hastening northward to have fought a considerable battle at Charleroi, 20 miles west of Namur on the south side of the Sambre River. The Germans have only to whip the allies in Belgium to have the road to Paris fairly open.

Aug. 21—The German army has reached Brussels after six days' continuous marching and fighting. Ten miles towards Brussels were made on Sunday, 10 miles on Tuesday, 12 miles on Wednesday, and 13 miles on Thursday.

Aug. 22—The Germans are not making a prolonged stay in Brussels. One army corps of 50,000 men arrived there on Thursday and marched on towards Ostend, 67 miles northwest. The Germans may win some victories in France and Belgium, but the odds seem to be against them ever returning to their own country as a fighting force. The French army that crowded in between Metz