

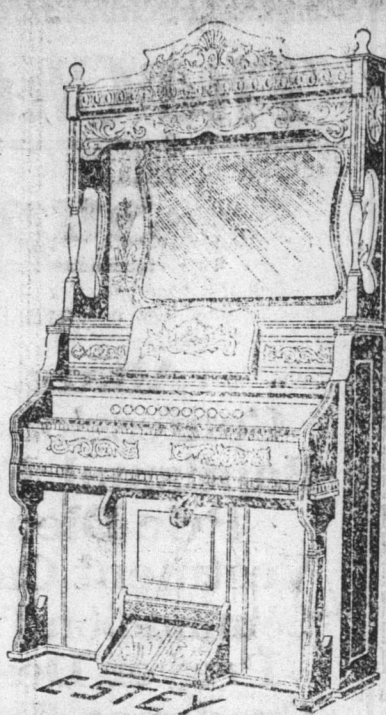
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## Tales of Submarine Battles in North Sea.

Devonian Survivor Describes Fight in  
Which Four Germans and Eleven  
British Ships Were Engaged—Saw  
One U-Boat Torpedoed—Squadron  
of Airplanes and Patrol Vessels  
Joined in Battle—Two Merchant  
Vessels Sunk.

Albany, September 19.—A vivid tale  
of an exciting battle between eleven  
British and four German submarines  
off the Irish coast, during which the  
Irish Devonian and another steamer  
of a fleet the British warship was con-  
voying was sunk, was told to-day at  
the State Employment Agency on  
Chapel Street by Cecil Troutman, a  
survivor of the Devonian. Troutman  
was adrift for nearly four hours be-  
fore he was picked up by a patrol  
boat.

"We left Liverpool," he said, early  
in the morning, a group of fifteen ves-  
sels, to be convoyed through the  
danger zone by eleven British sub-  
marines going along the surface.  
About thirty-eight miles off the Irish  
coast four submarines of the U-boat  
type were seen in the distance.

"We immediately received orders  
to put on speed and make the great-  
est headway we could, sailing in  
pairs. Six of the English submarines  
submerged until they were half  
awash, while the remainder threw a  
cordon around the merchant ships.

"It took just ten shakes of a lamb's  
tail before the crews were at the  
guns on the underwater boats' decks,  
and then things began to happen. You  
could fairly hear the shells scream as  
they whizzed through the air and  
dropped through the surface of the  
sea in the direction in which the sub-  
marines were first seen.

"Suddenly two periscopes, well to  
our starboard and on a line almost  
with the ship, were seen following us.  
One was quite near, the other a little  
distance off. From one of the half  
submerged submarines a white streak  
shot out under the surface straight  
towards the U-boat. There was a dull  
explosion. The periscope disappeared.  
Oil floated on the sea. She had  
gone down.

"Almost simultaneously a streak of  
white shot out from a place near  
where the other U-boat had been seen.  
Then another. Both travelled in our  
direction. The ship right in back of  
us was hit amidships and sank in a  
few minutes. A second after another  
torpedo struck our ship near the stern.  
Two men were immediately killed by  
the explosion, the ship carpenter and  
his assistant.

"I was on the promenade deck when  
the thing occurred. I was so fascinat-  
ed by the spectacle that I hardly  
realized the danger. Far away I  
heard the hum as of a mighty bee.  
The volume increased. Others were  
heard. I looked about and up. Com-  
ing toward us at a mighty pace of  
speed were a number of airplanes.  
Over us they began to soar about like  
seagulls. Swooping up and down,  
circling, criss-crossing and swerving,  
they dropped bombs that sank silen-  
tly into the sea.

"Suddenly, as if by signal, they all  
flew toward one point. Slower was  
their speed. They were trailing a sub.  
From down on the horizon came a  
number of submarine chasers. They  
trailed after the planes, some caught  
up—shot ahead of them in sprays of  
sea, and kept their positions there.  
They were waiting for the time when  
the submarine they were chasing  
should come up for air.

"It all took less time than it takes  
to tell it. Our ship was rapidly sink-  
ing. Men were leaping overboard,  
others were frantically getting the  
lifeboats down. I decided that I  
would have a better chance if I got  
hold of a bit of some of the wreckage  
that littered the sea than in one of  
the crowded boats.

"I jumped overboard and got on a  
large floating box. I was on this  
nearly five hours. The other ships  
did not stop to pick us up, but, ac-  
cording to Admiralty orders, kept on  
going."

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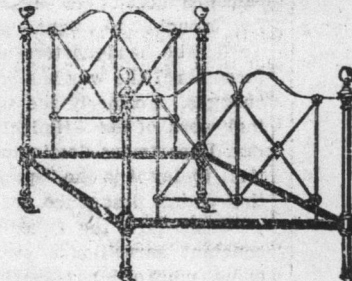
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## The American's Share in the War.

(Toronto Globe.)

On his return home from the United  
States, Mr. Balfour, referring to his  
special mission to Washington, laid  
stress on the moral significance of  
America's intervention in the Euro-  
pean campaign. Mr. Asquith was  
equally emphatic in his estimate of the  
moral and material reinforcement of  
the Allies by the United States. The  
immediate effect has been to convince  
Germany of the hopelessness of the  
struggle. This is not admitted by  
Berlin, but it is well known that the  
military aspect of the war has been  
profoundly affected by the presence  
of American troops at the front. The  
knowledge that huge reserves are  
available for the Allies greatly alters  
the whole outlook. The promise of  
military assistance on a large scale  
next year has changed the situation  
materially in favor of the Allied  
armies.

The defection of Russia makes the  
aid of America timely and of greatly  
enhanced importance. The Allies,  
while they will welcome the return of  
Russia to the firing line, have made  
their plans for the future on the as-  
sumption that Russian troops are, for  
all practical purposes, out of the war  
for the remainder of the campaign.  
The original Allied plans for this  
year's spring offensive contemplated  
a continuous wastage of the German  
reserves on both fronts until a point  
was reached in the diminution of the  
enemy's effective strength where the  
issue could be forced. The failure of  
Russia upset the calculations of the  
Allies and altered the whole situation.  
It was at this stage the United States  
entered with assurances of assist-  
ance that saved the Allies from a seri-  
ous dilemma. This aid, while it will  
not be available until next spring,  
gives the commanders freedom to  
press the offensive to the utmost this

year, with the knowledge that failure  
to attain a decision will not leave the  
Allies exposed to risks due to heavy  
losses. The heavy fighting on the  
western front is carried on with the  
knowledge that reserves will be  
forthcoming in time to turn the scales  
against the enemy at the most critical  
period of the war. That the military  
situation is favorable, despite Rus-  
sia's defection, is evident from the at-  
titude of American journals. The  
New York Evening Post, ridiculing  
the rumor that France is "bled  
white," says:—

"An army which could suffer the  
serious casualties arising from Ni-  
velle's rash tactics in the battle of the  
Aisne and 'come back' as it did in  
Flanders and around Verdun is plain-  
ly not at its last gasp. Were France  
in a parlous state we should not be  
witnessing the leisurely process of  
preparation which General Pershing's  
divisions are being put through. They  
would have been thrown into the  
front line, as Great Britain was com-  
pelled to throw her volunteer forces  
into the trenches before Ypres in the  
late fall of 1914. We should not have  
the further intimation that America  
need not be in too much haste about  
rushing her troops across the sea,  
but should take her time for training  
them at home; to which end French  
and British officers are to be dele-  
gated as instructors. With France  
more than standing fast, with Great  
Britain holding her own against the  
U-boats, the panic cry of 'Too late!'  
has lost its power. In this different  
mood the twenty-five thousand men  
who marched down Fifth avenue yes-  
terday no longer appear as a pitifully  
small instalment on a huge and  
pressing debt, but as the index sim-  
ply of immense resources for the mo-  
bilization of which the necessary time  
is not wanting. The Allies in the  
west have not developed sufficient  
striking power to achieve that 'break-  
ing through' which we must regard as  
postponed to an indefinite future. But

they have shown the power to pin the  
enemy permanently to the defensive  
and subject him to a bitter process of  
attrition."

It were a mistake then to assume  
that the war could not be brought to  
a successful termination but for the  
soldiers of Uncle Sam. At the same  
time it must be evident that the moral  
and material support brought into the  
field by the United States removes all  
doubt as to the final outcome. A  
draw between the contending armies  
or a premature peace might conceiv-  
ably be forced on the Allies by the  
default of Russia. But no such danger  
now threatens. The American troops  
take the place of the Russians in the  
scheme of the Allied offensive. Al-  
though this may involve another year  
of war, the progressive wastage of  
the enemy's strength continues, and  
the time will surely arrive when the  
combined armies of the Grand Alli-  
ance will advance to final victory.  
Victory through the wearing down of  
the enemy, rather than the gain of  
territory is the aim of the Allied com-  
manders. While it may be possible  
for Germany to break down the Rus-  
sian defensive, active operations by  
Germany in the eastern theatre will  
not stay the wastage which is dimi-  
nishing the enemy's reserves in man-  
power on the western front. Count-  
ing Russia out of the war for the re-  
mainder of the campaign, the odds  
are still heavily against Germany.

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Distinguished Service Cross, though  
for what services we have not been  
informed. Lieutenant Badcock mar-  
ried Miss Frances Pinent, daughter  
of Mrs. C. S. Pinent, of this city. He  
is, we understand, private secretary  
to Commodore Tyrwhitt, who com-  
manded the destroyer flotilla in the  
famous Heligoland Bight action, 1914,  
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