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Maneuvering Over a Line Sixty-Five Miles Long--French Still Holding on Adstrians have entered Alsace. It is believed the forts at Liege have not in Alsace, But Expect to Have to Fight Austrians-Some Minor Engagements- Rainbow Escaped German Cruisers.

GERMANY'S VERSION OF THE SIEGE OF LIEGE

GERMAN MAIN ADVANCE HAS BEGUN.

BRUSSELS, August 12.-The German army is being detached from its position before Liege and is advancing through nent, one between the combined Belgian and French forces and the heart of Belgium. The main body of the German cavalry the German army of the Meuse near Liege and the other between is engaged in a forward movement all along the front of the the French and German army of the Moselles, south of Spincourt, allied armies.

BIG BATTLE EXPECTED IN A FEW HOURS

LONDON, August 12 .-- A despatch from Brussels says, confirming the news of the German armies advance, the allied Ro forces to-day blew up bridges which lie in the line of the German Servia. advance. The first big battle of the war it is added is expected to begin in a few hours.

GERMANS WERE DRIVEN BACK.

PARIS, August 12 .- The French war office officially an nounced to-day that the troops of the Republic had be ous in an engagement wit man soldiers who penetrated France in the department of the Mense and Menrthe-Et-Mozelle, are declared to have been drive back acros the border.

AUSTRIANS ATTACK THE FRENCH.

that invaded Alsace capturing Altikirch, and Muelhausen will be engaged in battle with Austrian soldiers.. Definite information reached the war office to-day that the fourteenth Austrian army

THREE GREAT LAND BATTLES IMMINENT.

LONDON, August 12 .- Two great land battles seem immi while a third great battle is possible in Alsace.

The Germans made a determined attempt to take the French position outside Muelhausen, yesterday but failed.

The Germans now have slege gans before Liege, and the speedy reduction of the forts is expected.

Roumania has joined the Triple Alliance and will invade

GERMANY'S VERSION OF THE SIEGE.

LONDON August 12.—The correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company at Rome says that a despatch from Berlin gives an official statement by Gen. Yon Stein, regarding the gives an officiel statement by Gen. Von Stein, regarding the sigge of Liege. The German commander dentes the loss of 20,000 men unt does not give figures of his losses. He says that only attacking force he says was competely annihilated and while admitting that the forts remain intact he explains this by saying "The Emperor did not wish to complete the says and the saying that the forts remain intact he explains the saying the saying the saying the says are say the say of the say a small number of German troops were engaged in order to mask PARIS, August 12.-It is expected that the French army as soon as the heavy artillery arrives the forts will be taken, without the loss of a man."

FRENCH FRONTIER ONE BATTLE LINE.



"There is good reason to believe that the German cruisers Breslau and Goeben have taken refuge in the Dardanelles, and will be dealt with is good reason to be ording to international usage." "There is good reason to believe that the mass of German troops on the western German frontier are dis-tributed between Thionville (a forti-fied town in Lorraine, 17 miles north of Metz) and Liege, and that Lor-raine is held comparatively lightly terrhere acett?

een taken."

The mobilization of the Territor ial force is at the point of comple-tion. Some of the units of the force have accepted liability to serve over: Volunteers are being asked to follow their example."

"Kitchener's army, for which 5,000 recruits have been enrolled in the past twelve hours, will consist of six divisions — Scottish, Irish, Northern, astern, Western and Light Briroops whom Gen. Joffre had p

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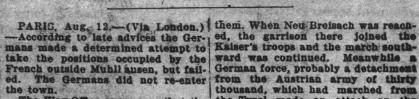
Promptly Revoked.

OTTAWA, Aug. 12 .- The identity of the mysterious cruiser in the St. Lawrence Gulf having been establish-ed as British, the St. Lawrence has again been opened to shipping, ac-cording to an announcement at naval

and military headquarters yesterday. "The ocean route is clear from Montreal to Liverpool, and any ship can sail when she pleases in perfect safety." This announcement was erday by R. S. White,

ce and exchange on car pool. In addition to that for the present





The War Office announces that the French and German troops are in con-tact for twenty miles along the from-tier, and that engagements are tak-ing place at Longwy, Longuion and Marville, in France, and at Virton, in Belgium

IXTEEN PAGE ALL THE NEWS THAT IS FIT TO PRINT

The War Offic. made an official announcement early yesterday to the effect that the French at Muhlhausen have been compelled to fall back be-fore an overwhelming force of Germans, and had evacuated Muhlhausen had evacuated Muhlhausen hat were holding their own against the German advance. Later a supplementary buildtin

Later a supplementary bulletin was issued by the War Office, in farther south. Reinforcem hich it was stated that the French ing rushed from Belfort and across in occupation of the city of Muhi- the Vosges Mountains, and the army hausen had been withdrawn to high of the Vosges, it is expected, will at-ground to the south of that place, tack the German right flank. The ground to the south of that place, and that they had there made a stand against the German army, which was attacking in force, and had French line of retreat is covered, and the latter were supported by artillery. The unloading of troops from trains continues in the region of Gerolstein, but the principal landings pulsed every attempt to dislodge

eGn. Joffre, it was regarded, had occurred earlier in the rear of Me selected advantageous ground for this purpose, and the tactics of the and Thionville.

French aviators are constantly fly-ing over the zones where the German French had proved successful. It is understood here that the Kaiser's army, which had been as-sembling at Strassburg, had begun its troops are disposed without paying the slightest attention to the bursting shells of the enemy. The o narch southwards, and that the adstatement that the work of fortify vance guard came in touch with the French advance guard at Colmar ear- Luxemburg and south of Mets I I:, and the latter tell back before been completed by the Germans.



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corp consisting of 30,000 under command of the Grand Duke of Tuscany, han etered Alsace from direction of the Swiss frontier, and was moving rapidly to a junction with the German forces.

TRYING TO OUTFLANK THE FRENCH.

PARIS, August 12 .- The French are in contact with German A fierce engagement is in progress near Tongres, and another troops all along the frontier. Despatches from the front say is progressing betweent the Germans and Belgians at Tierlemont there is a heavy body of German soldiers maneuvering over a Advices from Trieste, says, the Austrian army operating sampre, with the possible intention of trying to outflank the ment designed against Lemburg. French.

TWO FRENCH SUCCESSES.

PARIS, August 12 .- At Manginesees, North Verdun, a sharp official statement annuoncing that the French have been comengagement took place in which the French claim to have re-' pelled to evacuate Muelhausen, Alsace.

pulsed the Germans with heavy losses. Six guns, three heavy of the soldiers of the Republic. A battery of German artillery mans that they had retired because the city was not fortified. was disabled. German troops attacked the French advance posts in the vicinity of Chateau Salina, 18 miles northwest of Nancy,

but suffered heavy losses and had to retire according to the war office's official statement.

RAINBOW CAME THROUGH SAFELY.

gone, was the statement of Naval Officials to-day when shown; to Ticino to guard the Italian frontier. the Canadian despatches from San Fransisco, telling of the sighting of the two German cruisers near there.

danger from foreign warships. LINE HALPH I LATER THE

LONDON, August 12.- The French frontier from Switzer- Times Says Five or Six Hundred ford land to Holland two hundred miles or more in extent, is practically one battle-line to-day and engagements are reported along the whole frontier from Belfort, in France, to Belgium. The forts at Llege remain in possession of the Belgian defenders.

amounted yesterday morning to

line about sixty-five miles in length between Chambly and Mes- on the Galician frontier has checked the Russian offensive move-

MUELHAUSEN EVACUATED.

PARIS, Augus 11.-The War Office this afternoon isued an

This is the first news reecived of a German victory. When pieces of artillery and three rapid-fire guns fell into the hands Muelhausen was taken by the French it was claimed by the Ger-

SWISS AND GERMANS CLOSE TOGETHER.

LONDON, August 11.-The Daily Mail's advices from Basel here at a joint meeting of the Pol-Switzerland, state that the Swiss and German troops are close to the frontier and within a few yards of each other near Basel, The Germans have built barricades across all roads leading OTTAWA, ONT., August 12 .- The Rainbow, is safe, but we across the frontier. The Swiss army is massed mainly on the are afraid the little fellows, the Algrine and Shearwater are French frontier but considerable bodies of troops are being sent

THE GOEBEN CAPTURED ?.

ROME, August 11.-There is an unconfirmed rumor that

ANOTHER GERMAN REPULSE. BRUSSELS, Angust 12.—The war office reports a strong German force was repulsed at Mangiennes, near Verdum with heavy loss. The French dutposts at Moncel near Chatean driver back a German battalion which was supported by artillery. The German force in Le Grade near Arricourt was dislodged by a brilliant bayonet charge. MONTREAL, Que., August 12.—The ocean route is clear from Montreal to Litrerpool and any ship can sail when she pleases in perfect safety. This announcement was made to-day by R. S. White, Collector of Customs. The British Admirally announces that coal may now be shipped from England to Haly and Norway, and that there is no danger from foreign warships.

ded German officers were taken to the Vilna hospital.

is shall inter

Thousand Britons Are Enlisted. LONDON, Aug. 12.-The national elief fund for the families of solrelief fund for the families of sol-diers and sailors killed or wounded in the war, which was started under the supervision of the Prince of Wales and Queen Mother Alexandra,

To-day's Times says that Britain has already proceeded far with her mobilization and now has between 500,000 and 600,000 men under arms, hot counting the National

"We should, therefore," says The es' article, "view the situation in comparative equanimity, and not be turned from any masculine resolve by the threat of an assault by the

The British concentration camp at Aldershot yesterday was visited by King George and Queen Mary, and their advent was the occasion of an

stic demonstration. A Polish legion for active service in

the event of a German invasion of the British Isles is being formed

WOMEN USE HOT WATER

Employes In Belgian Factory Drove Invaders From Village.

PARIS, Aug. 12 .- (Via London.)

Monday evening. The French, rein-forced by reserves, then took the of-fensive and repulsed the Germans with considerable losses: A German battery was destroyed by the French artillery fire, and another was cap-tured, with three Gatling guns and ammunition. A regiment of German cavalry suf-fered seriously. Near Moncel a Ger-man battalion with artillery was re-man battalion with artillery was re-march, the populace is greeting them with wild acclaim. According to official announcement

According to official announcement the German loss in Belgium was two thousand dead, twenty thousand wounded and nine thousand seven hundred prison

to have been heavy. The village of Lagarde, in German territory, was taken by the French at the point of the bayonet. German forces appeared at Longwy and demanded the surrender of the town, which was refused. The German advance is moving toward Stenay, where an attempt will be mode to cross the Meuse river. The War Office admitted this last night. It is stated that frontier en-A number of daring and brilliant sorties have been made by the gar-risons of the Liege forts attacking German commands, apart from the main army. Severe losses were inflicted upon the Germans in these night. It is stated that frontier ensallies.

gagements were in progress at Long-wy and Montmedy, where French forts are located; at Longuyon, in the Department of Meurthe-et-Mos-elle; at Marville, in the Department of Meuse, six miles southeast of A pontoon bridge thrown across the river Meuse by German troop was demolished and the Germans re built it in the face of a raking fire.

losing many men. King Albert is on the ground iav-Montmedy, and at Virton, in Belgian ing arrived here from Lour the general headquarters of the gian Luxemburg, fifteen miles southwest of Arlon. It is in this district the ex-

treme left wing of the German army is operating. The entire front of the German advance on Paris extends A despatch says that the Germans in the city of Liege have paroled their civilian hostages at the disposi-

German advance on Paris extends over sixty miles. The engagements in the neighborhood of Longwy, just in-side the French border, at a point where Belgium, Luxemburg and Lor-raine meet, extended over a front of about twenty miles. This fighting is believed here to in-dicate that the German mass move-ment to force an entrance into France across the Meuse is being pushed. While no details of the strength of the invading army is ob-tainable, the admission that the ad-vance is "in force" is considered highly significant. German Plans Upset.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 12. — A secret wireless apparatus was discovered concealed behind a statue on the roof of a German store in this city. The Antennae were shrouded by flags.

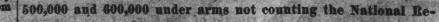
A detachment of 20 English nurs arrived here yesterday to as nursing the wounded.

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MOBILISATION COMPLETED.

LONDON, August 11.-According to to-day's Times, Great

Britain is onw finished with their mobilisation and has between



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German Plans Upset. BRUSSELS, Aug. 12 .- Moving to-

servists.

ward historic Waterloo and Brussels, the army of the Kaiser approaches, but as yet has not passed over into Belgian territory west of Tongres, at which point two cavalry divisions, supported by artillary and infentry at which po

