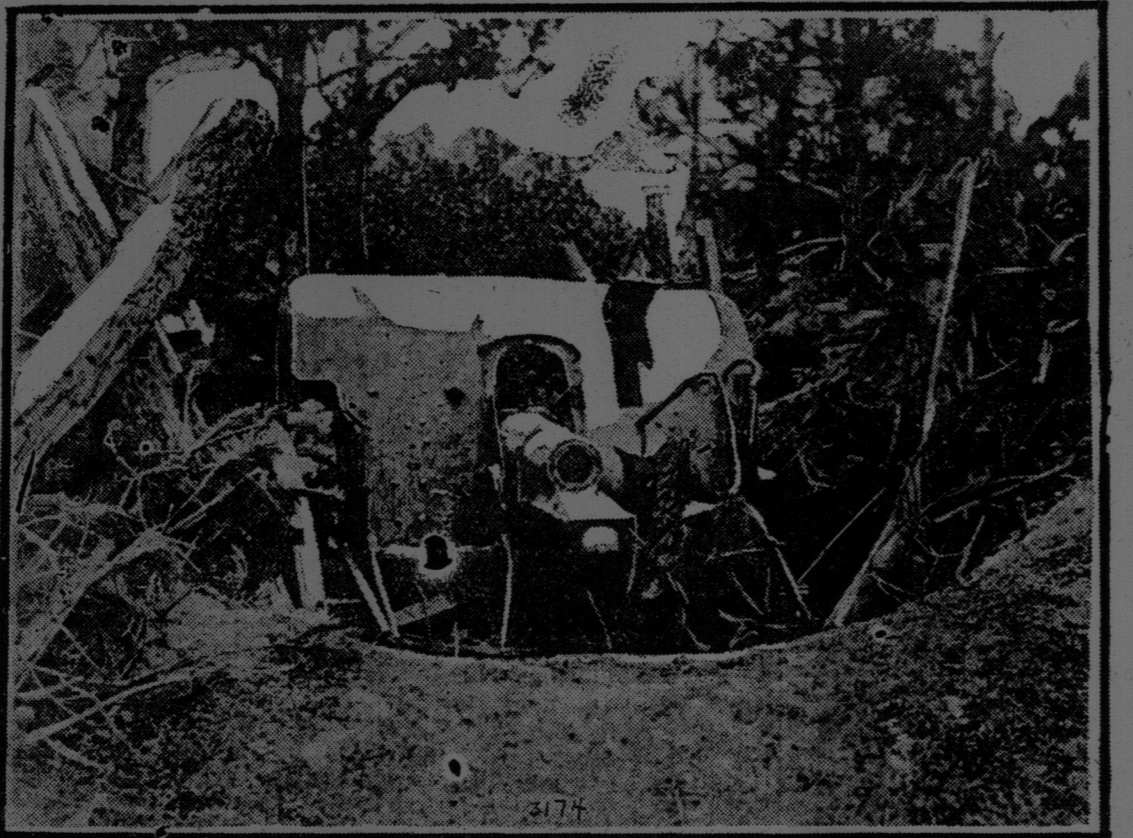


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This photograph is a vivid illustration of just what military experts mean when they speak of a "silenced" gun. The picture shows a German 105mm. cannon, the battlefield location of which was learned by the French, who destroyed it by artillery fire.

HOW IRELAND HAS PLAYED HER PART

Her Share in The Defence of The Empire

STIRRED BY BELGIUM'S FATE

Local Differences, on Which Germans Depended, Swept Aside by Call to Arms—Some of The Records

Of the minor circumstances of the great European war none has been so confused as the part played by Ireland. The British Government has been so much interested in the political situation that it has been unable to give the military authorities the assistance which they have so often asked for. It has been plain that of the smaller European units none has counted more significantly in the great campaign than the "Island behind the Island" in the west. It has been made clear that a British embargo on the export of arms to Ireland was one of the factors in the calculations of the German diplomats. The last Belgian Grey Book proved this definitely. Sir Edward Carson's bluff, although it left Ireland itself undisturbed, had impressed itself not merely upon English apprehensions, as was made so strangely evident by the King's invitation to the Birmingham Conference, but upon the Berlin Chancellorship, which had been represented at the Belfort "reviews."

Redmond's Statesmanship. Fortunately the Irish question had so far approached a settlement that it freed Mr. Redmond for that bold stroke of statesmanship which thrilled the British Empire and toppled over the German house of cards on the eve of the declaration of war. When the Irish leader declared that the Irish National volunteers were prepared to stand by the Ulster volunteers in defending the shores of Ireland from aggression, and that England might withdraw every trained soldier from the land, there was an end to any chance of an effective German intrigue with the elements of Irish discontent. An even more courageous address of Mr. Redmond's was his address to the Irish National volunteers, admonishing them that the defence of Ireland was being maintained on the fields of Flanders. It was more courageous because it reversed the whole tradition of Nationalist politics in the conflicts of the British Empire.

Stirred by Belgium. The average Irishman is a strong politician and has a sure instinct for the public and national interest. He has been profoundly stirred by the crucifixion of Belgium. The burning of Louvain, with its records and monuments of the Irish exiles of another day, remained him piercingly of his debt to that hospitable shelter of his fathers. But the ruling motive with him is his conviction that in taking his part in the war he is strengthening Ireland itself; he is sealing with a double and infrangible seal his own charter of liberty; he is destroying that curse of Ireland, the play of the British party spirit in Irish national affairs; he is in fact securing "Ireland's place among the nations of the world," and he is in the last resort forging a spearhead for her volunteers that may convert a civil muster into a national military resource that will give Ireland its due weight in all unsettled controversies. Accordingly American statisticians will not have failed to notice that emigration from Ireland has fallen off since the outbreak of the war by 65 per cent, on the lowest figures previously recorded and 75 per cent. from the southern provinces.

Irish Recruiting. There were some half million eligible men in Ireland, married and unmarried.

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of military age at the date of the last census in 1911. Scarce 80,000 of these were called up at once, being in the reserves of the old regiments. Over 61,000 of the remainder have enlisted and been accepted at the recruiting centres. There have been many rejections as acceptances, for in the first rush, when millions were being enrolled and it was thought 1,000,000 or 1,200,000 would have been sufficient for the job, only the perfectly fit were accepted. In other words, over 100,000 of the men of military age in Ireland in August, 1914, have offered themselves for the defence of Europe. There were in the old regiments at the outbreak of the war over 40,000 Irishmen. Out of Ireland alone, then, more than 100,000 Irishmen have been on the firing line or are on their way thereto.

How the Irish regiments have acquitted themselves cannot be learned from the despatches. Only when the historians of the regiments come to the tale shall we have the measure of their heroism. The widow of one of the officers of the Munster Fusiliers has raised a corner of the curtain. With the assistance of the remnant left in German prison camps after the retreat from Mons, she has been able to tell the story of how the isolated regiment, cut off and surrounded, fought to its last cartridge at Etrepas; how the second battalion of the German line at Paturberg and could find no more to help or follow; how the 2nd Du Bois the same fate befell them, and only 800 answered the roll when they were compelled to abandon the conquered line because their flanks found no follows. How the Dublins and Munsters accomplished the impossible at Sedilly-Bahrs; how the old 10th, the Royal Irish, came to the rescue at St. Julien; how the Irish Guards have received their baptism of fire; how Dublin Hill was stormed by the Dublin Football "pals" at St. Julien Bay; how the Inniskillings paid the price of the Anstey estate; how the story of these and a score of other battles will prove that the sons of the brothers of the men who fell on the heights of Fredericksburg are true still to stock and blood.

GAVE UP LIFE BUT SANK THE SUBMARINE. Story of Devotion to Duty by French Engineer at Constantinople.

New York, Dec. 14.—A London cable to the New York Times quotes a despatch to the Daily Chronicle from Salonika as follows: Some little time ago the French submarine Turquoise got into difficulties in the Sea of Marmora and was unable to avoid capture. Her crew were taken to Constantinople. Her commanding officer, who was unable to do so, and the officers set a messenger to bring one of the French engineers.

The Frenchman saw he might have an opportunity of destroying the submarine, and left a note for his comrades in the submarine, saying what he would do if he had a chance, bidding them goodbye and writing "Vive la Patrie" at the end of the note. While on board the submarine he managed to set the machinery going before it was noticed what he was doing. There must have been a struggle in the submarine, as it sped away from shore, but at all events it was soon seen to sink.

The number of officers said to be on board the lost vessel is six.

ENLISTMENT IN ENGLAND. New York, N. Y., Dec. 13.—A special cable to the World from London says that according to the information obtained by the World correspondent, it probably would be found that there were about one million and a quarter enlistments under Lord Derby's scheme, while the direct enlistments during the same period amounted to 800,000 more.

MATTER OF EMBARGO ON LOGWOOD EXPORTS. Washington, Dec. 14.—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, British Ambassador, received word today from the foreign office at London that the British government was considering American representation looking to the modification on its embargo on logwood exports from the West Indies as a satisfactory solution was hoped for.

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WHEAT GOES UP. Chicago, Dec. 14.—Wheat made a decided advance in value today owing largely to a decrease in the world's available stock. The opening which ranged from 1/4 to 1/2 off to 1/2 cents up with December at 115 1/2 to 115 1/2, and May at 116 1/2 to 117 was followed by sharp upticks all around.

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LOCAL NEWS

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Christmas will soon be here, and it's none too early to select his slippers! We've some beauties, 65c. up to \$1.85—Wiesel's Cash Store, 248-247 Union street.

SIEGE BATTERY PHOTOGRAPH. D. Smith Reid, of The Reid Studio, photographed the siege battery yesterday afternoon. It is needless to say the picture was a huge success.

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Blamed for Perjury. Frederickton Gleason—During a sermon on the 8th commandment in St. Dunstan's Church yesterday morning, Rev. Fr. Carney remarked that more perjury was caused by attempts to enforce prohibitory laws than anything else. No further mention of liquor laws was made in the sermon.

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FIND IT HARD TO FOOL THE WORLD

An American View of the German Chancellor's Speech—German Must Be Beaten

(Bauger Commercial)

The German chancellor's statement that the resources of Germany are adequate to continue the war indefinitely and that food is still plentiful, only problem being in its distribution, would be amusing if they were not tragic. One does not have to look far for their disproof. Germany which has advertised herself as the most efficiently governed nation in the world and the least wasteful, although her spokesman states that the necessities of life are in no way curtailed, nevertheless proceeds to overthrow the entire economic system developed by years of studied effort and to substitute new and most drastic regulations regarding what the people shall not eat and when they shall and shall not eat.

Early in the war the government took over the cereal supply, including wheat and flour and issued bread tickets without which no household in the land could buy a loaf of bread. Later the government issued regulations as to the days on which meat could be eaten and named the allowance for each person. Later still the use of fats was regulated in the same manner. The latest restriction is upon the use of butter and fat. It is a thrifty and economical race as the German people whose percentage of waste was probably lower than that of any other with the possible exception of the French, why, if food is plentiful, should the German government find it necessary to make these rigid laws upon no better excuse than a plea for economy and economy in distribution? Why, if, as the chancellor declares, Germany's stock of copper is so immense, is the government tipping the copper roofs from the cathedrals and over the palaces of the Hohenzollerns and paying the village housewife three times for her copper pots and pans when these utensils cost her when new?

The German chancellor has tried to fool the world. Ever since the battle of the Marne when the Germans' plan for the reduction of France to the level of a Prussian province failed, the German chancellor and the rest of the Prussian Junker hierarchy has been fooling the German people. The military successes of German arms have filled their minds with the glories of coming victory. The overrunning of Belgium, the occupation of Northern France, the engagement of Russian Poland and the crushing of the south, have made the eyes of the German people as signs that the conquering of the world was at hand.

But through it all there has been another side of the picture, gradually but surely developing out beneath the dazzling reflections of apparent success. Every wounded man who is sent home from the trenches has added one more brush mark to this picture; every name in the death lists, that are daily published on the town hall bulletin boards, has added its dot of sombre color to the background. There can be no home in Germany upon which the finger of

the wife has not been laid, few which the Death Angel has not yet visited. As the weeks and months grow into years and the privations of war wear more and more heavily so the darker side of the picture gradually tends to blot out the blazing colors of a final victory which like the mirage of the great desert, retreats as it is approached and finally in the changing light, disappears altogether.

If one could gain a more concrete notion of the mightiness of this war's effect upon the German people, turn for a moment to a simple comparison. The area of the German Empire in Europe is approximately 57,000 square miles less than the state of Texas. The population of Germany is between 68,000,000 and 70,000,000 people. The losses of the war in killed, wounded and prisoners is estimated to be rising 8,000,000 men. In your imagination place the population of Germany in the state of Texas and some idea can be gained of the enforced proximity of one family to another. The population of Texas in 1910 was about 8,000,000. If every man woman and child in Texas were killed, wounded or taken prisoner, it would represent approximately the losses of Germany since August, 1914. Is this not enough to make any people cry for peace? Is it not enough to give them at last an understanding of Prussian rule, of Prussian ambition and the price that must be paid in the struggle toward its goal?

But the longing for peace is not enough. The Allied nations are taking no chances. While the German people are still willing to bear the Prussian yoke and to do the bidding of their Kaiser in following his star of world empire, there can be no peace. While any vestige of Prussian ambition remains uncrushed there is danger to the world. France and England may be weary of the war as the German people to continue the struggle to the point at which the war will be effective in freeing the world of the military incubator will take fortitude. It is a major surgical operation in which the wound of the decision does not count, if only the cancer can be removed never to return.

Further Reports Re Vatican and Peace

New York, Dec. 14.—A cable from Rome to the New York Times says that Cardinal Hartmann of Cologne, had an important mission to the Pope, it is thought here to be proved by several facts. First, he left Rome at night of the same day on which the consistory was held while all the other foreign cardinals were still here.

Moreover, on returning to Germany he went straight to Berlin and had a long conference with Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg, supposedly reporting the result of his mission in Rome and informing the Chancellor as to the Pope's views on peace, giving details which could not be included in a consistorial allocation, wherein general lines are laid down. It is believed that the Vatican has been trying to induce Archbishop Bourne of Westminster to be the bearer of a peace message to England, but he refused to accept such a mission, plainly stating that Great Britain cannot give up fighting until the allies cause which he holds represents right and civilization, prevails.

PERSONALS. Mrs. G. Clifford McAvoy will receive on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, Dec. 15 and 16, for the first time since her wedding, at her residence, 80 Sydney street.

John McCarthy of Boston, who is in the city, will leave this evening for Montreal.

Friends of Sovill Smith of the I. C. R. will regret to learn that he is confined to his home by a stroke of paralysis.

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