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Evening Telegram

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MONDAY, January 4, 1915.

Pretext for War Pure Humbug.

To show how little value is to be placed on the statement that the determination of Austria to make war on Serbia was due really to the assassination of the Archduke Ferdinand and his wife, we have the statement of Signor Giolitti in the Italian Chamber. The latter stated that twelve months before the war, during his Premiership in 1913, he was made aware of a Note, virtually identical with the Austrian ultimatum of last July.

"On August 9, 1913," said Signor Giolitti (quoted by the Morning Post), "the Marquis di San Giuliano told him that Austria had communicated to Italy and Germany her intention of attacking Serbia, defining such action as defensive, and invoking Italian aid under the Triple Alliance. Both the Marquis di San Giuliano and I," said Signor Giolitti, "denied such an attack to be a *casus fœderis*, and I told the Marquis di San Giuliano to tell Austria so in the most formal manner and to urge Germany to dissuade her from a most dangerous adventure. This was done, and our Allies agreed with us. This is to prove our loyalty before Europe." (Thunders of applause.) "We are justified," he added, "in our neutrality now, but as our existence is apt to be threatened our neutrality does not imply inaction, but complete freedom of action." Germany had also, ten years ago, determined on the invasion of Belgium, and she built strategic railways to carry it out, although less than two years ago she solemnly assured Belgium she had no intention of invading Belgium or of striking France through Belgium.

C. M. B. C.

The regular weekly session of the Cathedral Men's Bible Class was held yesterday afternoon, and considering the inclemency of the weather, was largely attended. The Chairman, Rev. J. Brinton, in opening the meeting, referred to the tremendous possibilities of the New Year now begun. After referring briefly to the magnitude of the war, he emphasized the special need of God's help during this trying conflict, that He may guide the diplomats in their deliberations, and that the area of war to so small a territory as possible, speedily restore peace to the nations.

The annual meeting of the class will be held on Sunday next when reports will be presented, and at which a large attendance is particularly requested.

No Sign of Durango.

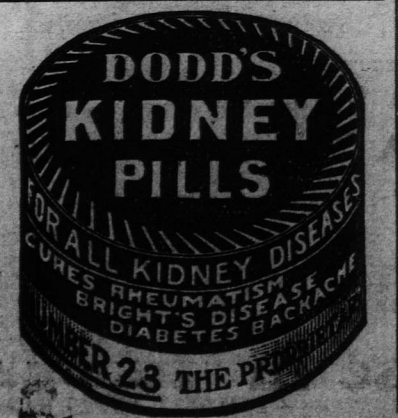
The Furness liner Durango is making an exceptionally long passage to this port from the Old Country. The ship is now four weeks out from Liverpool, or 18 days out from Queenstown, where she put into for repairs to her machinery. There was no sign of the ship up to 2 p.m. to-day or no word from her, as she is not fitted with wireless. It is hoped she did not get the force of yesterday's storm. However, according to the report of the captain of the train steamer Sybil, which was 28 days out from Sweden to St. John's, there is no need for anxiety about the Durango.

B. I. S. DANCE - Twelfth Night. Tickets may be had from Miss L. Higgins and members of the L. & A. Committee. Jan. 21.

Nfld. Volunteers.

BEING INVALIDED HOME.

Word was received in the city on Saturday, by relatives to the effect that Bert Channings, son of the late James Channings, Druggist, was being invalided home. He crossed over on one of the large liners from Liverpool to Halifax and will arrive here by the Red Cross Liner Stephano, which is due here to-night. We understand that several other volunteers are returning.



LATEST From the Front.

11.00 A.M.

NEW LORD LIEUTENANT FOR IRELAND.

LONDON, To-day. Baron Wimborne, who last summer took to the United States the British Polo team which vanquished the American team, has been appointed Lord Lieutenant of Ireland in succession to Lord Aberdeen. He will take office on February 17th. The change in the Lord Lieutenant will be welcomed in social and sporting circles of Ireland, for while the Aberdeens devoted much of their time to charitable work, it is expected that the new occupant and his wife will revive the social glories of Dublin Castle and give their patronage to racing and other sports.

CHIEF WHIP DEAD.

LONDON, To-day. Percy Holden Hingworth, Chief Liberal Whip in the Commons and Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasury, is dead of typhoid.

BRITAIN WILL PROPOSE NEW TRIBUNAL.

LONDON, To-day. It is possible, according to a trustworthy report that the British Government will propose the establishment of some sort of Tribunal, composed of representatives of both countries, which will pass on the disputed points, arising from Britain's position regarding the treatment of neutral shipping. This Tribunal would take cases as they came from the Prize Court, if America has any objections to offer to Court's Application or interpretation of Law the same time, the Government would expedite prize court work by eliminating delays there and also elsewhere, so that seized ships or cargoes could be acted on with the minimum of delay.

1 P.M.

GRAPHIC STORY OF SCENES ON FORMIDABLE.

LONDON, To-day. Survivors of the battleship Formidable, give graphic stories of the scenes on board when the vessel was wrecked in the English Channel last Friday morning, after the ship either had struck a mine or been torpedoed. They state that when the explosion occurred at 2.30 in the morning, 500 men were asleep. Their hammocks and berths were jerked several inches upwards by the shock. The explosion missed the magazine by only a few feet, but it entered the fore-cabin and wireless out of action. The captain of the battleship, according to the survivors was on deck all the time until the vessel sank. When the order was given for all hands to come on deck, the men swarmed up saluting the officers as they passed without any delay. Many without clothing. Two minutes after the first alarm was given the engine room was flooded and the supply of steam stopped. This was the worst blow of all because with steam the Formidable might have been able to make port. The absence of steam also made the work of getting the boats out very laborious. The vessel was soon tilted at an angle that made it difficult for men to gain their foothold. Orders were given to make rafts, and soon the men were tearing up decks and bringing all available furniture from below for this purpose. The ship's carpenters improvised rafts by the dozen. While the second cutter was being launched, another explosion occurred. This, curiously enough, served to lengthen the warship's life. She had tilted to a terrifying angle and it seemed as though she might capsize at any moment, but the rush of water into the port side had the effect of balancing her better, though she laid lower in the water. A large percentage of those saved wore patent inflatable waistcoats which are more effective than any lifebelt. The Formidable's end was hurried by the fact that she was struck three times by terrific seas within the space of a minute.

Cape Report.

Special to Evening Telegram.

Wind N.W. strong, weather fine; nothing sighted; a heavy south gale to be expected and rain forecast yesterday. Bar. 29.45; ther. 15.

Here and There.

STEPHANO COMING. - The s.s. Stephano left Halifax at 7 p.m. Saturday for here and is expected to arrive some time this evening.

TAKES BIG FREIGHT. - The s.s. Prospero is expected to get away to-night for northern ports. She takes an unusually large freight and to-day Water Street near Bowring's premises was blocked with teams, loaded with freight.

ESCAPED FROM THE ASYLUM. - Yesterday forenoon a patient of the Lunatic Asylum named Muriel Farrell escaped from there and went to a house on Mundy Pond Road where she was later captured by Constable Forester and Carrigan and taken back to the institution.

NAVAL RESERVISTS. - Fifty-three naval recruits have enlisted at the Calypso during the past three weeks, and are now putting in their drill daily. Twenty-eight others who enlisted during the same period were rejected because of slight physical defects. There are now on board upwards of eighty men and more are expected to arrive from the outposts during the week.

Our Volunteers

Since New Year's Eve the following offered themselves as volunteers with the second contingent:-

J. E. Sinclair, St. John's.
Michael Quigley, St. John's.
SIR ISAAC PITMAN born 1813.
Ernest Heath, St. John's.
Cyril Gardner, Trinity.
Simon Lewis, Lower Island Cove.
Alex. M. Hudson, Lower Island Cove.
Art M. Manuel, Botwood.
Saml. Parks, Botwood.
Frank H. Cutler, Bay of Islands.
Hugh W. McWhirter, Bay of Islands.
Gerrit Whiting, Badger.
Lefty Bellows, Coving.

The total number enlisted to date is 721. The response from the outposts is on the increase. Another batch from Grand Falls and Burin are expected to arrive in a day or so.

Work of the Storm.

Yesterday one of the worst storms for many years and in fact the severest for this winter so far was experienced in the city. About 2 a.m. yesterday the snow storm began, accompanied by a strong easterly gale. Each succeeding hour the gale increased in violence. The wind blew harder and harder while the snow storm became blinding. About 7.30 a.m. or five hours and a half after it began the storm was at its worst and for the next half hour regular hurricane prevailed, the wind blowing at a force of seventy miles an hour. Milk vendors and country people generally had a hard time of it coming citywards and in a great many cases folk had to put the "tin cow" into operation. In isolated sections the storm was felt worst, as fences were blown down, trees uprooted, slender structures threatened with destruction, while chimneys and window panes suffered greatly. In the city proper several windows were blown out, including a large plate glass window in Mr. Percie Johnson's office. Along the waterfront much attention had to be given to shipping which were pounding heavily against the different piers owing to the heavy undertow. To avoid damage several vessels were anchored in the harbor with hurricane force, lasting until early this morning. Though the storm was so severe, it was practically local and did not have been experienced up country, as the trains were operating the same as usual.

It is hoped that there were no vessels making this port when the storm came on or they must have received a bad drubbing. EXPRESS DUE. - The Lintrose express is due in the city at 6 p.m. to-day. DUE TO-MORROW. - The Allan Liner Cathlamit is due to-morrow from Philadelphia. OUT IN STORM. - The S. S. Adventure, which got away from here Saturday, must have felt yesterday morning's storm. LECTURE ON "BELGIUM." - Last night at the Grenfell Hall, Mr. W. H. Jones lectured on "Belgium," which was treated in a masterly manner. WEATHER. - It is calm and dull along the line of railway to-day with occasional snow squalls. The temperature ranges from zero to 10 above.

ICE BOUND. - Owing to the ice blockade at that port the schr. Success, fish laden at Twillingate for Brazil, is over a fortnight detained.

TREPASSEY TRAIN LATE. - The Southern Shore train did not arrive at St. John's until 12.20 p.m. Saturday being delayed by snow along the line.

STAFFORD'S LINIMENT cures Rheumatism, Lumbago, Neuralgia, and all aches and pains. For sale everywhere. - Jan. 21.

THOUGHT TO HAVE HARBOURED. - The S. S. Home left Tilt Cove at 10 o'clock Saturday night for here, but it is thought harboured out of the big storm.

LEAVES FOR DESTINATION. - The S.S. Sydland, which put in here short of coal on Saturday, leaves for her destination at 5 o'clock this evening, having taken 160 tons from A. Harvey & Co.

DIED OF DIPHTHERIA. - Last week two cases of diphtheria were reported in the city and one of the patients, a three year old girl named Florence O'Neill, died at her home on George's Street.

NOTE OF THANKS. - David Coady and family wish, through the columns of your much esteemed paper, to sincerely thank all kind friends who assisted them in their great trouble, and also those who sent wreaths, telegrams and letters of sympathy. - advt.

ROOF CARRIED AWAY. - During the height of the storm on Saturday night the roof of a dwelling on Goodview Street, occupied by a family named Bennett, was completely blown off. It was lifted by a sudden squall of wind and blown into Lime Street, carrying with it a chimney top with which it collided on the way.

STAFFORD'S PHORATONE Cough and Cold Cure is the best preparation you can take for all kinds of Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma and various Lung Troubles. Price 25 cts. Postage 5c. extra. - Jan. 21.

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This Date in History.

JANUARY 4.

Full Moon - Jan. 1.
Days Past - 3 To Come - 361.
SIR ISAAC PITMAN born 1813. Founded the Pitman system of phonographic shorthand.
CHARLES KEANE died 1891, aged 65. One of the most talented of the "Punch" artists, who from 1851 to his death was constantly represented by drawings of irresistible humor in that journal.

WOMEN OF ENGLAND.

How can we serve thee best, Land of our love? In what encounter pressed Our ardor prove? Mothers of sons of thee, Let us be brave and strong, Sister or wife be we, Thy daughters all.

When all the troops have passed Through war's stern gale, When through dumb hours agast We broodless wait, When it may be by fire, When it may be by ice, Let every pang expire Courage and pride!

O God our help of old, Help us to-day, Life up our hearts, and hold Evil at bay: Let us be brave and strong, Firm to the end; So England's women shall England defend! - B. C. Hardy.

Sealing Commission.

(Saturday, Jan. 2nd.)

Frederick Yetman, sworn, to the Minister of Justice. - Was second hand on board the ship when it was wrecked in the English Channel last Friday morning; has been 37 springs at the ice in various capacity, from ordinary sealer to Master. Remember March 21st last before daylight, the ship was wrecked. The weather was fine. Saw the Newfoundland's crew board the Stephano, and saw them on the way, but did not see them when they left their ship. When first seen, witness reported to the Captain that the crew had just left, as they looked very near their ship. Witness was in the barrel and it was fine and clear. First saw the men about 8 or 9 o'clock, when the Stephano was around and went to warn them. Saw the Newfoundland when her men came on board. There was very little wind, and no snow then. Think the ships were 5 miles apart at this time. When the men left the sky was overcast, but not much snow. The ship was moving while the two were near each other. The men left the Newfoundland, perhaps a mile or two, the object being to get the men near seals that had been seen the day before. There was not much snow falling when the men were dropped. They did not have a chance to get near the seals, perhaps half a mile. After picking up their own crew the Stephano went back to the Newfoundland and the crew came on board in the morning. The Stephano stopped about dark on the Tuesday morning, heavy ice, near where the Newfoundland's crew were picked up. The whistle was blowing fast, the Stephano's crew were on board, but was not anxious about the Newfoundland's men, as they were thought to be on board the own ship. It was not blown often after the ship stopped. On Wednesday morning the weather was bad, and the ship was moving about the ice, picking up men and burned down at 10 o'clock at night.

To Dr. Lloyd. - He told the captain as soon as he saw the crew. They were picked up after half-past eight. His explanation of thinking men near Newfoundland was that the position of men on high ice misled him. He was in the barrel between seven and eight but he did not see the Newfoundland men on the ice during that time. When the Newfoundland men got aboard, Captain A. Kean ordered him to steam towards the patch of seals the Newfoundland men were to join. The weather was generally southerly. He meant by that anything between S. W. to S. E. B. He saw the men after the Stephano they continued on course the Stephano had been taking them. Stephano burned down near the edge of the heavy ice. He supposed to intercept the Newfoundland's crew if they should try to make the Stephano by the Stephano's carcasses left on the ice. They stopped at the southern extremity of where they had pans of seals. They were picking up seals until near the time they burned down. The Stephano blew the whistle a few times afterwards perhaps till 8 o'clock. He was certain in the morning they picked up the Newfoundland's crew near Stephano's flag and not near Florizel's flag at edge of heavy ice. He did not see this flag next day. He heard Capt. Kean say to somebody that he was on the look out for the Newfoundland men should they be making for the Stephano. He spoke to Capt. Kean and they both believed the Newfoundland men on board their own ship. No search was made next day.

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LOADING AT BONNE BAY. - The steamer Amphitrite has entered at Bonne Bay to load codfish for Halifax.

VERY LATEST

2.30 P.M.

ATTACKING SUBMARINE LOST.

BERLIN, To-day. It is reported here, though not officially confirmed, that the German submarine which sank the British battleship Formidable with two torpedoes was herself sunk three hours later by mines. It is said that all on board of the submarine were lost. The identity of the submarine was not revealed in reports telling of her loss. They are being widely circulated, but the Admiralty states that at present it has no information to give out.

DESTROYED ZEPPELIN SHED.

LONDON, To-day. According to an Amsterdam despatch, French aviators dropped several bombs in the vicinity of Brussels on Saturday, partly destroying an Zeppelin shed under construction and killing several German soldiers.

ALLIES ADVANCING.

LONDON, To-day. The Daily News correspondent at Rotterdam telegraphs the latest news from the scene of operations near Ostend. Clearly he indicates that, although the Germans are making terrific efforts to retain the last dunes and rougher land in the immediate vicinity of Westende and Lombart-oxide, he has every reason to believe that the allies are advancing. The Germans have been fighting with wonderful energy and courage to prevent the definite abandonment. Their evacuations of St. George's is recognized as final on their part for they are now concentrating their heavy fire on that place to prevent the occupation of it as that would very seriously threaten their position on the coast. The Allies, however, have taken a firm hold and are advancing at Lombartoxide.

Parade Rink open for the season to-night; ice in excellent condition; Terra Nova Band. - li

FOGOTA. - The Fogota is delayed at Fogo by ice, as also the R. N. Co's steamer Clyde. It is not known when the ships will get clear as the ice is packed heavily on the land.

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Don't forget St. Bon's Ladies' Association Tea and Concert in aid of the Belgium Fund in Aula Maxima on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Tickets 30c. Jan. 11.

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"Shadows of Life,"

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J. O'NEIL FARRELL, the popular Baritone, sings a new song to-day.

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SAYS ORDER ISSUED BY JOFFRE TO FRENCH.

London, Dec. 29. - Charges that at least one brigade of the German army has been ordered to put all prisoners to death, are made in the following general order issued by General Joffre on Dec. 17 to the French armies in the field:

"The Commander-in-Chief of the armies brings to the notice of the troops the following facts:

"We have proof that the Lieutenant, commanding the 7th company of the 12th Bavarian Infantry Regiment has communicated to his men the following order by the General, commanding the 58th brigade of the 4th Bavarian Corps:

"From to-day no more prisoners will be made. All prisoners will be put to death. The wounded, without arms, will be put to death. Prisoners, even if taken in large bodies, will be put to death. No living men must be left behind us."

"This order has been carried out. Interrogation of the German prisoners proves that numbers of French prisoners have been shot dead."

"At General Headquarters, Dec. 17, 1914. The General Commander-in-Chief."

"(Signed) Joffre."

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Kaiser Authorises Use of Dum-Dums

London, Dec. 29. - The Daily Telegraph has received from a correspondent a statement that the following proclamation has been issued in Antwerp:

"The Kaiser, weary of vain protests against the use of dum-dum bullets by all the Allied armies, finds himself obliged, cruelly against his will, to authorize his valiant soldiers also to employ this murderous weapon."

The Baby Killing At Scarborough

Philadelphia Public Ledger: - Even when war is conducted with punctilious observance of the agreed rules there must occur incidents that revolt the sensibilities of humanity. When every precaution is taken it is inevitable that some of the innocent non-combatants must suffer. To add to such horrors gratuitously, merely to give vent to incurable passion or in a demoniacal love of spectacular carnage, is something the world can never pardon.

McMurdo's Store News.

MONDAY, Jan. 4th, 1915. At this time of year indiscretions in diet are more frequent than at any other period, hence the need of a good and reliable saline preparation which will cleanse the stomach and bowels and stimulate the liver. And if this Saline be in the form of an agreeable effervescent drink, all the better. Salt-Regal is such a medicine and is confidently recommended in all cases of indigestion, heartburn, "liver" constipation, etc., due to over-eating, and sluggish bowels. It is very pleasant and most effective for its purpose. Price 50c. a bottle. Ideal After Shave is still unsurpassed for those who have delicate skins. It is invaluable in winter time. Price 25c.

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