

CENTURY OF NAVAL POWER

England's Fleet of One Hundred Years Ago Compared With That of To-day.

For close upon a century Britain has enjoyed undisputed supremacy of the sea, won for her by Nelson's glorious victory at Trafalgar, 90 years ago, writes J. B. Wilson in The London Daily Mail.

Nothing is more remarkable than the complete revolution which naval construction and naval warfare have undergone in the intervening years. If the great admiral's fleet could be restored as it was in 1805, a single cruiser could blow it out of the water in an hour without ever coming within range of its guns.

The range and destructive power of the guns were then so small that officers and men were often killed by rifle fire from the ships placed in the enemy's ranks, and as all knew, Nelson himself met his death in this way.

In modern naval warfare a decisive battle may be fought, as at Chancellorsville, without the contestants coming within four miles of each other.

If we compare the fleet of the nineteenth century with the navy of to-day, the following interesting comparison is obtained:

	1800	1904
Number of ships	120	472
Tonnage	461,000	1,867,250
Men	24,000	140,000
Cost	\$12,000,000	\$26,880,000

The actual average number of guns to each ship, it is interesting to note, has fallen from 35 to 180 in about 35 years. In striking the average torpedo craft are taken into account. This reduction, of course, has been rendered possible by the enormous increase in the range and destructive power of the modern gun.

Comparing Nelson's flagship Victory with the newest 16,000-ton battleship of the King Edward VII. class, it will be found that while the Victory's heaviest shot was 32 pounds, the 16-inch gun of the King Edward VII. will fire a projectile weighing 900 pounds.

With the invention of armor plates, the first of which was made for the Chinese war, the cost of warship construction has increased enormously. A 100-gun man-of-war in Nelson's time, cost £100,000, and a 100-gun battleship of the King Edward VII. class, cost £1,000,000.

Britain's naval predominance over other powers was much more pronounced five years after the battle of Trafalgar than it is today. It was not until the appearance of the fleet in 1810, so far as gun power is concerned, she could have made a good fight of it had all the other naval powers in the world combined against her.

The strength of the fleet of the great powers in that year was as follows:

	Ships.	Tons.
Great Britain	430	24,800
France	210	6,000
Russia	40	3,000
Spain	300	8,000
United States	35	1,500
Other countries	214	4,800

X-RAY VICTIMS.
London, Nov. 1.—There are in London, it is estimated, a score of X-ray operators suffering from the disease which proved fatal in the case of Clarence Dally. Mr. Dally was a manufacturer.

The disease, which is apparently incurable, is set up as a direct result of the manipulation of the Roentgen rays, and the hands of the operator appear to be the most vulnerable part of the body.

A fortnight ago one well-known doctor, who is in charge of the X-ray department at one of the largest of the London hospitals, had the first two joints of the fingers of his right hand amputated, and on Thursday he was found necessary to take the amputation of his finger away.

"You can see from the fingers of the right hand how the trouble has developed," he remarked to a Weekly Dispatch reviewer. The hand seemed as if it had been severely scalded. It was covered with ulcers, and the nails looked as if they had been crushed and torn to pieces.

"Have you suffered much pain during the process of the amputation?" the doctor's face clouded over at the recollection of his misfortune. "My dear sir," he said, "I have suffered the torments of the damned. From last June onward, until I had my finger amputated, I scarcely knew what sleep was. Night after night I rolled about in agony."

"All the earlier workers," proceeded the doctor, "are suffering in greater or less degree, and this is due solely to the fact that we did not know what we were working with, and took no precautionary measures against possible danger."

Harry Cox of Hove, who supplies the admiralty and the war office with X-ray apparatus, is another of the victims. He carries his left arm in a sling as the result of his injuries.

MAYOR'S CLAIM TO CHICAGO.
London, Nov. 5.—Alderman D. H. Redhead, J.P., who will be Peterborough's next mayor, claims that if he and his rights he would be the owner of the City of Chicago.

In 1834, his parents, then a newly married couple, went to an Illinois State upon which the city was afterwards built.

When they arrived they found that the uncle was dead. They were his only relatives, and claimed the property, but as he had left no will a tedious process at law followed them.

They went to New Orleans, and the husband died there. Seeing no chance of obtaining her rights, the wife returned home to Peterborough with two little children.

BIGGEST ELECTION BET.
Silver City, N.M., Nov. 5.—V. C. Place of the Pinot Allos and Silver Mining Company of Grant County, N.M., and Charles M. Shannon, proprietor of a newspaper in Silver City, have made the largest bet thus far on the result of the presidential election.

Place has bet \$100,000 on the result of the presidential election, and Shannon has bet \$50,000 on the result of the presidential election.

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QUIETUS FOR ALARMISTS
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The news from Gibraltar became more and more alarming and finally the foreign office was overrun by reporters, some of whom brought the rumor that Admiral Benbow had been killed.

The foreign office was quickly subsided by the arrival of a despatch from the admiralty stating that Admiral Benbow was not killed, but was seriously wounded.

Admiral Benbow, who was in command of the British fleet in the Mediterranean, was wounded by a Russian submarine.

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