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A thrilling story of an attack on the Liverpool steamer Theesus by a German submarine is told in a letter sent by Mr. Jack Brodie to his brother, a veterinary surgeon at Nantwich. The letter is in part as follows: "No doubt you will have heard of the great chase we had by a German submarine. We sailed on Sunday at 6 a.m. and on the Monday, at 7 a.m. a submarine was reported in hot pursuit. "She was one of the largest type of German submarines, and must have been doing eighteen knots. Within half an hour from the time we sighted her she was less than half a mile away, and by this time we had got our safety valves screwed down and were carrying 240 lbs. of steam instead of 180 lbs. By doing this we increased our speed to seventeen knots, this being a fourteen-knot ship at ordinary speed. "The submarine signalled to us to stop, otherwise she would fire. "We took no notice and carried on. The Chinese firemen and greasers failed us, refusing to come below, and only three of the firemen stood to their posts. The ship's engineers, with the three firemen, went down to the fires, and the engineers of the (Mr. Brodie and four fellow passengers, all engineers) took charge of the engines, and we drove the ship as she had never been driven before.

The submarine by this time was only a ship's length off, and commenced shelling us with three in shells. She was trying to carry our steering gear away. "One shell came through the stern on the port side, ripped up the iron deck, passed through two iron bulkheads, and wrecked the firemen's quarters. Another came through the iron bulkheads, and did a lot of damage in the provision stores, and another struck the aftermast and blew off two-thirds of the circumference of it; another caught the same mast and carried away part of the guard stay that supports the cross-gear. "Another carried away one of the mainstays of the aftermast, passed through the engine-room ventilators, then through the bridge, and between the captain and the chief engineer, who were not more than three yards away from each other, and finished by carrying away one of the foremast main stays. Yet another struck the anchor on the forecastle, and did a lot of damage to the handrails and tore up the wooden deck. "They also used a quickfiring gun and rifles on us, but the damage these did was nothing. They signalled to us to abandon the ship immediately, evidently thinking that they had done fatal damage. However, we kept on, the submarine meanwhile trying her hardest to torpedo us. It was no use, for when she worked round to starboard we went to port. Then by the time she got on our track again we had gained a quarter of a mile on her. This was kept up until 10.45 a.m., when the submarine gave up. She had chased us for more than sixty miles. "The Theesus would have been a good prize for the submarine. She is a steamer of 6,724 tons, built in 1908 in Belfast.

London, May 11.—Turkish troops are being transported from Smyrna to the Turkish seaports of Alexandria and Adalia, says a despatch received to-day from Athens by the London Evening Star, owing to the fear that a landing is about to be made at those places by forces of the allies.

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