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201 SURVIVORS OF H.M.S. FORMIDABLE NOW ACCOUNTED FOR, 579 PERISHED

Tremendous Seas Running Made it Impossible for men to Live Long Enough to be Picked up by Passing Vessels. Many Perished of Exposure in Open Boats.

(Special to the Guardian.)

LONDON, Jan. 2.— The British battleship Formidable was sunk yesterday morning in the British Channel by either a mine or submarine, according to an announcement given out by the Official Bureau.

The Formidable had a displacement of fifteen thousand tons, was 430 feet long and carried a complement of 750 men. She was heavily armoured and carried four 12 inch guns, twelve 6 inch guns, sixteen 12 pounders and was provided also with four submerged torpedo tubes.

The Formidable was launched in 1898, and was a sister ship to the Irresistible and Implacable. The Formidable has assigned to her, according to British Navy list for December, various fleet officers and consequently she undoubtedly was acting as a flagship at the time of her destruction. Her Captain was A. T. Loxley, and her Commander C. E. Ballard. Captain J. C. Deed was in command of Marines on Board, while the fleet surgeon was Gorfrey Trainor, Tailor, and fleet paymaster, P. J. Ling. The Chaplain, is given as Rev. George D. Robinson. On board the Formidable were also sixteen midshipmen.

(Special to the Guardian.)

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The British Admiralty to-day issued a list containing the names of Captain Arthur Oxley and 34 other officers of the British battleship Formidable, sunk in the English Channel yesterday, who, it says, must be presumed to have been lost in the disaster, as they have not been reported among the saved. The list included nine midshipmen.

(Special to the Guardian.)

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Another cutter from the British battleship Formidable, which was sunk in the English Channel on Friday, has reached Lyms Regis, Dorsetshire, with 50 men, making a total of 201 survivors out of the crew of 780. When the cutter left the Formidable she had 60 or more survivors aboard, but all but 50 succumbed to exposure, having been in an open boat for some 24 hours in a violent storm. All the survivors were in a state of exhaustion after their terrible experience. They declare there is little hope of there being any further survivors, as the tremendous sea which was running at the time made it impossible for the men to live long enough to be picked up by passing vessels, while many of those clinging to the wreckage were undoubtedly killed when the second explosion occurred. The Admiralty has not issued any statement with reference to the cause of the disaster or where it occurred.

INTERCESSION DAY IN ALL CHURCHES IN THE EMPIRE

By Request of King George Special Prayers Offered for Success of Allies and for all Soldiers on the Battlefield.

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, Jan. 3.—To-day, by request of King George, is being observed as a day of intercession and special prayers for the success of the Allies' arms and for the soldiers of all nations engaged in the war will be offered in every church and chapel of all creeds and religions in the kingdom.

RUSSIANS CAPTURED 22,570 MEN AND 45 GUNS IN LAST FORTNIGHT

Of 27 German Army Corps Operating Against Russians 400,000 Have Already Been Taken Prisoners and Their Killed and Wounded Number Four Times as Many.

(Special to The Guardian)

PETROGRAD, Jan. 3.—The Russian army, under General Dimitrieff, has captured 22,570 Austrians and 45 machine guns during the last fortnight, according to an official announcement.

(Special to The Guardian)

PETROGRAD, Jan. 3.—It is officially estimated that 27 German army corps are operating against the Russians. 400,000 Germans and Austrians already have been taken prisoners and their killed and wounded are four times heavier.

HON. J. A. MATHIESON, PREMIER.

HINT THAT CONSCRIPTION MAY BE RESORTED TO

(Special to the Guardian.)

LONDON, Jan. 3.—A hint that the British Government contemplated the introduction of conscription for increasing the army and navy was dropped by Thomas J. Macnamara, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, while speaking at Browning Settlement this afternoon. Referring to the fact that there were many young men in the United Kingdom without dependents who had not answered the call to the colours, Macnamara said: "If they think they are going to enjoy a life of freedom at the other fellow's expense, they won't enjoy it much longer."

GERMAN EXPERT ON EAST SITUATIN.

BERLIN, Jany. 2.— Major Moraht, the military expert, discussing in the Tagblatt the eastern war situation says:

"All military authorities are agreed that the Polish capital must soon be evacuated. Its value as a fortress, as is well known, is slight, but the strongly fortified positions in front of the forts, it must be expected will be well defended. Nevertheless, it would require strong forces to hold them.

"It appears, moreover, as if the Russian general staff attached greater importance in bringing its main forces unbroken behind the Vistula rather than develop the full strength west thereof. However, the plans of the Russian staff are unknown, and hence it is not impossible that it still intends holding the region west of the Vistula, with political prestige as the factor, despite the dangers attending it. At anw rate defeat of the Russians north of the Pilica will settle the fate of the army operating in Galacia.

THIRTY SHIPLOADS OF JAPANESE TROOPS LEAVE FOR FRONT IN EUROPE.

LONDON, Dec. 19.— (by mail.—In LONDON, Dec. 19.— (by mail)—In tion here to the effect that transportation of Japanese troops by sea to the Russian port of Vladivostok has been going on for some time, and that soldiers of the Mikado are already on their way to Europe over the Trans-Siberian railroad.

Thirty steamers are said to have carried the troops from Japan.

DOUBLE DROWNING.

SYDNEY, Jan. 2.—Norman McLeod, aged 17 and Lena McDonald, 18, went through the ice while skating at Fouschu, Thursday, and were drowned.

GERMANS BUSY WITH FORTIFICATIONS

PETROGRAD, Jan. 2.— The inactivity of the Germans in the neighborhood of Warsaw for some days past, is explained, according to reports reaching here, by the claim that they have employed this time fortifying the territory already taken up to Beura River along the left Bank of the Lower Middle Vistula River.

INSURGENTS OCCUPY TOWN IN ALBANIA

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The situation in Albania is much worse. Insurgents are said to have occupied Berat and to be marching on Dibra.

TRANSFERRING TO ASIA MINOR

ATHENS, Jan. 2.— According to advices which reached here the Austrain German Ambassies at the Turkish capital are transferring their archieves to Asia Minor fearing action is imminent by the British and French fleets against the Darndanelles and Capital Foreigners are also preparing to quit the capital for the interior.

GERMANS REPULSED

PARIS, Jan. 2.— Afternoon Official —During the night of December 31, January 1 enemy. The Germans delivered at numerous points along the front a series of attacks which were repulsed with ease. At St. Georges the enemy did not continue counter attacks . All our gains have been retained.

In the region of Arras, Albert and Roye, there have been Artillery Duels. The enemy blew up two of our Caissons between Beaumetz and Achicourt. In revenge we demolished their trenches at Parillers and Laboisselle. Our Artillery also obtained happy results in the region of Aisne where it silenced the Artillery of the enemy and dispresed several sections of German troops.

In the region of Rheims there was a fairly violent bombardment by the enemy. In the region of Perthes we occupied and retained the forest two Kilometers to the North East of Mesnilles-Hurlus. The enemy did not deliver a counter attack.

Minard's Liniment Cures Rheumatism

FRENCH OFFICIAL

(Special to The Guardian)

PARIS, Jan. 3.—(Official)—Since last night there are no notable occurences to report other than a sustained cannonading against our trenches to the East of Vermeilles and the region to the North of Chaulnes and a German attack to the West of Consernvoye wood North of Verdun, which failed.

FOUR GERMAN OFFICERS DETAINED IN NEW YORK

(Special to The Guardian)

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Four German army officers were taken off the outbound steamer Bergensfjord last night by a Government agent on a charge of conspiring to use passports fraudulently.

ICE CIRCUIT RACES AT TORONTO

(Special to the Guardian.)

TORONTO, Jan. 2.—The ice races at Hillcrest track were concluded today.

The racing has been exceptionally high-class. World's records were made in the free for all by Homer Mack, the Edmonton entry. The 2.20 class was won by Geo. Locanada, best time 2.21. Angus Dillard won sixth money, finishing third and fourth the last two heats.

There were several mix-ups in this race, and one horse fell dead.

Homer Mack won the free for all, Mansfield second, Grand Opera third.

The second division of the 2.20 pace was won by Brown Hal.

The 2.28 trot was won by Sanitol.

The last race on the programme was the 2.28 pace. Helen R., although quite lame since last week's mix-up, was started. She finished third, the first heat going to Dayspring and Billy Brino, time 2.20. The second heat she was fourth. In the third she was beaten just at the wire by Tonego. In this heat there was a very serious collision on the turn, Dayspring and Billy Brino going down and both sulkies being smashed to atoms. Both drivers escaped with a bad shaking up. Dayspring came out and captured the final heat. Owing to the lameness of Helen R. and the fact that the fast trot in which sharper is entered did not fill at Ottawa, the Island horses will likely be shipped home next week.

HELGOLAND GROANING UNDER WEIGHT OF GUNS IT CARRIES.

NEW YORK, Jany. 2.— The first intimate description of the fortifications of Helgoland Germany's guarding fortress at the mouth of the Elbe, to come out of the cloud of secrecy thrown around the defences of the Kaiser's Empire, was brought back yesterday by Richard Wackeaow for the seven years United States Consul at Breslau.

Wackerow believes he is the only foreigner who had been allowed to land on Helgoland since the outbreak of the war, but admits that there were many features of the little isuand's defence which were kept hidden from him.

"Helgoland is a second Gibraltar, said Wackerow. "The place is guarded by an almost unbelievable system of defence. Long channels have been cut in the solid rock of the cliff, face seaward, and in these no less than 142 Krupp disappearing guns of the 42-centimetre type have been mounted. There are 364 guns altogether in the isuand defence.

HIGH SEAS FLEET THERE.

"Ten concentric rows of mines guard the entrance to Helgoland by night, arranged at different levels to catch submarines as well as surface ships. A great fleet of submarines is assembled behind Helgoland, as well as the German high seas fleet. I do not think it is the intention of the Germans to send out their entire fleet to engage the British until the idds against it have been whittled down."

Wackerow said the Germans admitted that they had lost in killed alone 800,000 men since the outbreak of the war. They now have three million on both fronts he added.

WAR GOD'S JUDGMENT OF HUMAN WICKEDNESS.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.— (by wireless to Saville)—Among the items given out for publication today by the German official press bureau is the following: A pastorial letter from all the German Catholic Archbishops and Bishops calls the war a divine judgment of the human wickedness. The letter lays emphasis on the statement that Germany was to blame for the outbreak of the war."

ALLIES HAVING HARD FIGHTING

LONDON, Jan. 2— After a comparative lull caused by stormy weather, fighting between the Allies and Germans in Northern France and Belgium is becoming much fiercer according to an official eye-witness in a narrative written by a member of the staff of Field Marshal Sir John French, issued by the Government Press Bureau today. He states that German airmen raided furnes as well as Dunkirk dropping many bombs.

The Germans have been carrying on a violent bombardment of armentieres.

BOMBARD DUNKIRK

PARIS, Jan. 2.— Dunkirk was again bombarded by four German Teroplanes Thursday.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM SHERRIN

A sudden death occurred in Charlottetown on Saturday morning, when Mr William Sherrin passed into eternity.

Intent on seeing one of the officials he had entered the Provincial Building in the company of his son. While waiting in the main entrance for the official to arrive he reeled and fell into his son's arms.

The man died immediately and without the least warning. He had been apparently in his usual health.

The body was removed in the ambulance to Wright's undertaking rooms, after a doctor had been summoned and had found death had been instantaneous and due to heart failure.

The deceased came to Charlottetown about three years ago from Crapaud and took a position as manager of the Government Stock Farm. After leaving the Stock Farm he was employed for a time with Mr John R. Dinnis, Mt. Edward Road, and has also worked on the P.E. Island Railway.

He leaves to mourn a widow, one daughter, Miss Bessie, and five sons, Messrs Colin, Henry, Hassel, Hudson and Marson, an attendant at Falconwood; also two brothers, Messrs David and James Sherrin, of Crapaud.

The funeral takes place to-day (Monday) from his late residence, 48 Longworth Street, to the People's Cemetery. Service at 2.30 o'clock, with Rev. D. McLean officiating.

SINGING OF TIPPERARY BROUGHT TEARS TO EYES.

NEW YORK, Jany. 2.— A cable to the Herald from London this morning says:

"Miss Ellaline Terris returned to London yesterday from Boulogue, where she has been singing in hospitals and markets to wounded soldiers and those who are fit. Asked for her chief impression she replied:— 'I am full of gratitude. I've a lump in my throat. It is all too wonderful. Over here we don't half feel this war, but when one sees the suffering there is and the Tommies lying in bed as bright as bright can be, all with smiles on their faces, despite their wounds, then one begins to realize it a little. They all join in the song I sang. "Thank You For All You are Doing." which has a bit of Tipperary in it, and sang "Tipperary" so softly and quietly that it brought tears to everyone's eyes.'"

NO CHANGE IN WAR OPERATIONS

PARIS, Jany. 1.— (Official)— Tonight—"There is nothing new as yet to report of operations today.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT WILL MEET FEB. 4TH

(Special to the Guardian.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 3.—It was decided at a Cabinet meeting on Saturday that Parliament would meet February 4.

ADVISE OPERATION

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 2.— A private despatch from Berlin says Emperor William has been advised by his physician to undergo an operation for catarrh of the throat at once.

GERMANS ORDERED FROM ITALY

ROME, Jan. 2.— A dispatch to the London Post says a German Army Corps is about to be sent to Southern Trentino, facing the Italian frontier. A proclamation has been issued bidding inhabitants to prepare to welcome Germans.

The Police having ascertained that various Germans have arrived here to buy corn, boots and other supplies in violation of a degree forbidding their exportation warned them to leave the country.

MARRIAGE OF MISS HAZEN.

ST. JOHN, Jan. 2.—Miss Frances Hazen, daughter of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries was married on New Year's afternoon to Major T. Malcolm McAvity, of 26th. battalion. He is a son of John A. McAvity, of St. John. Rev. E. B. Hoper officiated.

AMERICAN COMMERCE SEIZED AS CONTRABAND

WASHINGTON, Jany. 2.— 31 ships bearing 19,350 tons American copper worth $5,500.00, destined for Neutral Nations have been detained and cargoes seized as contraband since European War began so Senator Walsh, Montana, told the Senate yesterday in a speech reviewing the interruptions in American Commerce.

Four ships consigned to Holland, fourteen to Italy, thirteen to Sweeden and Giberaltar, 9350 tons American copper have been piled up .

STEAMER NAVARRA IS TOTAL WRECK

YARMOUTH, N. S., Jany. 2.— The steamer Navarra will be a total wreck on Stone Breaking Off. The bottom is out. Canns' steamers are saving the cargo, bobsleds being landed with lighters of hay. The Glenmorgan is here to reship salved cargo.

RAILWAY WRECK

LONDON, Jan. 2.— Seven were killed and many sustained injuries in a train collision yesterday morning on the Eastern Railway near Inford, five miles from London.

THE WEATHER THE TEMPERATURE TIDE, MOON, ETC.

(Special to The Guardian)

TORONTO, January 4.—Maritime: Moderate to fresh North-West to West winds; fair and cold.

THE WEATHER.— Yesterday: Light snowfall in the morning, clearing with bright sunshine all day.

The highest temperature of yesterday was 21 deg. above zero, and the lowest 14 above. The coldest the previous night was 20 deg. above. At 9 a. m. yesterday it was 21 deg. above and at 9 p. m., it was 14 deg. above.

The tide will be high this afternoon at 1.32 and tomorrow at 2.05; it will be high tomorrow morning at 1.30 and Wednesday at 1.10.

The sun sets this afternoon at 4.30 and tomorrow at 4.31; it rises tomorrow morning and Wednesday at 7.41.

The moon rises tonight a 8.

There was a full moon on Friday, January 1st, at 8.20 a. m.

The last quarter of the moon will be on Friday, January 8th at 5.13 p. m.

The length of today will be eight hours and forty-eight minutes.

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YESTERDAY IN THE CHURCHES

In St James Church last night the pastor, Rev. Dr T. F. Fullerton, preached a sermon of exceptional force and eloquence from the 44th Psalm: "Thou hast delivered us and Thy name will we thank forever." In part, he said:

In the hour of national crisis in the story of Jewish history the writer pauses for retrospect just as we do on the opening Sabbath of the year. We say farewell to the past. Strange sounds may come to us from the valley behind, but as we stand on the mountain ridge and try to penetrate the mists on the valley before us we do not know what we may meet as we descend. But yet to those who are able to say: "Come night or agony, God reigneth," there is a vision that pierces the thickest mist, that enables us to penetrate the unseen and to realise that in that valley below progress rolls o'er the stream its amber waters. In this national crisis in Israel the same attitude was taken. The writer remembered how their arms had been victorious in the past; "our fathers trusted in Thee and were not put to shame"; and so he contemplates with absolute confidence in the victorious power that is ever vested in righteousness and in truth. To-night, in common with millions, we are assembled that we may render thanks unto Almighty God, not merely for all blessings of the past but for the victories that have crowned our arms with success and for the splendid confidence with which we meet the coming days, however dark they may seem. The New Year sweeps into our lives like a tide from the great deep, but it comes bearing on its bosom some things we did not anticipate, not merely the opportunities that characterise the average year of life, but serious and undreamt of responsibilities. We must contemplate, as we look upon the coming days, sorrow, suffering and death. We meet in an hour of gloom that is appalling. It finds us involved in the greatest war that has ever been known to humanity; it finds us after three months of that ruthless devastation, face to face with an antagonist who does not shrink from semi-savage tactics, who is prepared to loot the defenceless, to strike ruthlessly at the unprotected, to work havoc wherever it may deem it possible. Thousands of families have been clouded and crushed by bereavement, so that as we stand to-night at the opening of the year every patriotic heart is burdened with care, with anxiety, with trouble. We cannot contemplate the past few months without feeling a sense of shame that such things could have been committed in this age of Christian enlightenment.

The struggle in which we are engaged is of Imperial and world-wide magnitude; and yet, though the sufferings and losses have been collossal, though the pain, agony and suffering are beyond human description, yet in this house, erected to God, I have no hesitation in saying that we have many compensations for which we should be profoundly thankful and which should cause us to use the words of our text. The mere responsibility of the war makes us surely thankful that this war is our calamity and not our crime. We never sought it; we did not even desire it. We did the best that patience, consideration and conciliation could do, but we were forced into it by conspirators who had long premeditated the attack, who had carefully prepared themselves for it and who rushed into action just as what they deemed to be the psychological moment arrived. When they threw down the gauntlet and inaugurated this cruel war; when they said: "We stand on the side of the Eternal God and no British power or any other power dare intervene or can overthrow us," what could we do but place our arms at the disposal of the righteous Judge and go forth in His name for the defence of—what? For the defence of liberty, for the defence of justice, for the cause of progress, for the perpetuity of peace. And we, too, appeal to God. There is a right way and a wrong way, a reverent and an irreverent manner of appealing to the Supreme Disposer of all events; but I leave it to the common sense of every one if the declaration, "God is our ally," made by the Emperor of Germany, taken in connection with this contest, is not the most profanely selfish, is not the most contemptible, self-confident assertion that has ever been known. We went into this war not saying that God was on our side, but saying we believed that God is on the side of righteousness. We went in with a larger and humbler spirit, not seeking of our own, not seeking any conquest that would mean gain to us, but seeking to preserve our integrity and to defend a weaker member.

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COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC

ONE CENT per word each insertion for advertising in this column. Cash must accompany orders. Minimum charge twenty-five cents.

**A Christmas tree and entertainment will be held in Highfield Methodist Church to-night. Rev. Mr Littlejohns, Mrs Littlejohns, P. Barnes, and A. Gallant, Charlottetown, will take part. If stormy will be held following Tuesday. 8134

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