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## THE NAVAL BATTLE

As further details of the great naval battle in the North Sea reach us our faith in the superiority of the British Navy, ship for ship, over that of Germany, remains unshaken. The bald official report at first received merely stated our losses, which were officially known by the Admiralty, giving also fragmentary reports of eyewitnesses of the enemy's known and probable losses. Nothing was said of the relative sizes or of the number of ships engaged. It now transpires that the British squadron was a detached squadron of battle cruisers, cruisers and torpedo boat destroyers. There was not a dreadnought or a battleship among them. The German fleet, on the other hand was their main North Sea fleet and consisted of dreadnoughts and heavy battleships as well as smaller craft. In the first encounter our ships were at a serious disadvantage and their losses were heavy, but that they put up a noble and gallant fight is indicated by the fact that among the enemy ships destroyed was Germany's newest and heaviest dreadnought as well as a greater number of craft of all sizes than we lost.

There is considerable criticism in the British press over the fact that a squadron of the size of that engaged in this case should have been in a position to be overtaken by a German fleet. This criticism, some of which has appeared in the Guardian, may or may not be just. It is perhaps a case of "being wise after the event." It will be remembered that after some of the raids on the coast cities of England and Scotland the Admiralty was severely censured for not having the fleet so disposed that every mile of the coast would be protected. The disposition of the fleet was accordingly altered to meet this demand and the battle of last Wednesday night was one of the results. Probably had the fleet not been divided up as it had been other raids on the British Coast might have resulted. The outcome of the affair will probably be that hereafter the Admiralty will be strong enough to make its own dispositions regardless of criticism. The insistent demand for the return of Baron Fisher to the Admiralty points to such an outcome and indicates an awakening to the fact that both the Admiralty and the War Office must henceforth be dominated by experienced sea lords and soldiers who will shape their respective courses on sea and land by their own personal knowledge of the conditions which govern battles on sea or land, uninfluenced by political constituencies or other considerations. There may have been mistakes, there doubtless have been, but when the story of the war is written it will probably be found that few of them were made either by the admirals of the navy or the commanders in chief of the armies.

It is especially interesting, in the light of what is now definitely known, to read the comments published in the British press on the day after the battle when the outcome was looked upon as something perilously approaching defeat if not disaster. The London Times said:

"Knowing the temper of these people, as we do, we have not the slightest shadow of a doubt what the effect will be. It will sting them to fresh exertion and dispel much idle, harmful optimism and steel their unalterable resolution to win this war or perish. That has ever been the effect of untoward fortune to our race when they enter on a quarrel which they know to be just. It will be the consequence now, as friends and foes will speedily discover."

The Daily News, declaring it is not framing judgment on the assignment of responsibility for the disaster, declares that the demand for the return of Baron Fisher to effective control of the navy must become insistent. It says "This is to say that it involves no reflection on Balfour, Jackson, or any individual officer in Whitehall or the North Sea, but one serious danger the result of the battle may entail is the diminution of confidence, however ill it is founded, in the administration of the navy. No single event would more effectively counter such a danger if it exists, than the return of Fisher to the Admiralty. The country needs him in this urgent hour."

The Telegraph continuing says, "a portion of our fleet met the entire force of the German high sea fleet."

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These fundamental facts remain: our fleet held the seas, pursuing the retiring enemy at the close of the battle. Our blockade continues. German raiders were driven back.

## OUR JUVENILE FLOTSAM

Yesterday four boys between the ages of ten and thirteen were up before the Stipendiary Magistrate charged with theft. The case was continued over until today. As to the guilt or innocence of these children we know little and the remarks we are about to make have no special reference to their case, but to similar cases which occur from time to time in our midst.

The idea appears to be growing among boys of criminal tendencies that they are immune from punishment. This idea, unfortunately, is being fostered by the fact that a "judicial warning" usually constitutes the punishment inflicted for serious offences. As long as the average boy considers himself immune from punishment—either parental or judicial—so long will he continue to indulge his mischievous propensities. In the case of boys who are criminally inclined their continuous escape from punishment is nothing more nor less than an education in criminality. Unfortunately in this province of ours we have at present nothing in sight except to continue the criminal education of those who have been unfortunate in their birth and parentage; to permit them to go on from bad to worse and when they are old enough to send them to the penitentiary or to the scaffold. To send boys under sixteen years of age to jail would be a crime and in all probability would only tend to confirm their criminal tendencies. There is one remedy available, one that is in many ways objectionable and resort to which would not be creditable to the province, namely, to send our juvenile criminals to one or another of the Reformatories in the neighboring provinces, a course which we understand is open to the Magistrate, the cost of transportation and maintenance being paid by the government. The objectionable features of such a course need not be enumerated but with all its objections it were better to avail ourselves of it than to persist in our present method of systematically and judicially training our unfortunate waifs to lives of crime.

A Provincial Reformatory has been advocated and the province could very much better afford its upkeep than it can afford to let the few criminally inclined boys among us drift on hopelessly until they pass through our courts to the penitentiary. Any objections to such an institution on religious denominational grounds could be overcome as is being done in our penitentiaries, have their spiritual needs attended to by clergymen of the different denominations at such times as might be mutually agreed upon. Such a reformatory under judicious management, with a farm attached in the care of which the youngsters would be given an opportunity to work off their criminal or immoral energies, would do much for the few unfortunate amongst us and would redeem the province and its people from the guilt of letting these unfortunates go to the bad.

The Children's Aid Society can do nothing for juvenile offenders. There is an entirely different work and they are doing it quietly and effectively. They have during the past year found homes for thirteen children who had been left destitute by death or, what is infinitely worse, by inhuman parents. This Society is well maintained by a government grant of \$500 supplemented by a grant of \$150 from the City, and a small, very small, contribution from charitable individuals. To save thirteen children from hunger and privation and to place them in homes where they will be guarded from the evil influences of the street and given a fair chance to become useful and respectable men and women is a sufficient justification for the small expenditure made for the maintenance of this Society. It is also a clear call for a more generous support on the part of the Christian people of the province.

To save even "one of these little ones" is an act of Christian duty while "it were better that a millstone were hanged about his neck and that he be cast into the midst of the sea" who "causes one of these little ones to offend"—or what is just as bad—who leaves in their path causes for offending which it is in our power to remove. Our helpless and destitute orphans and waifs are being well looked after by the Children's Aid Society; we owe it to ourselves and the future to look after our moral delinquents before we are compelled to look after them as criminals.

## DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

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If you should see a tall fellow ahead of a crowd,  
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And you know of a tale whose mere telling aloud  
Would cause his proud head to in anguish be bowed,  
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If you know of a skeleton hidden away  
In a closet, and guarded, and kept from the day  
In the dark, and whose showing, whose sudden display,  
Would cause grief and sorrow and life long dismay,  
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.

If you know of a thing that will darken the joy  
Of a man or a woman, a girl or a boy,  
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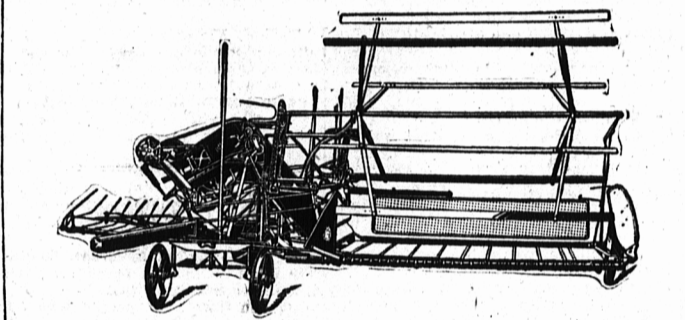
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