SINKING THE CAP TRAFALGAR

SINKING A GERMAN PIRATE DOWN TO DAVY JONES

Extraordinary Duel Between a British and a German Cruiser Known as the Battle of the Haystacks.

Of all the naval engagements that occurred during the war none perhaps was stranger than the fight between the British ship Carmania and the German ship Cap Trafalgar. Both were armed liners of the floating sort converted into auxiliary cruisers; they met by chance when their ships were nearby and engaged in an extraordinary duel, which ended in the Battle of the Haystacks. Never have two ships with towering upper works stood off and to batter each other to pieces with gunfire.

The news, we had of the engagement, says the captain of the British cruiser Cornwall, was a wireless that Capt. G—— sent out saying he had sunk the Cap Trafalgar, but that his bridge was burned, his steering gear shot away and all his navigating instruments destroyed; he was glad to have some one come and find him where he was and lead him to a place where he could, so to speak, lie down and lick his wounds a while. It took a jolly bit of doing to find a ship that couldn't care more about itself than that, but finally sighted her ragged silhouette and led her to such a haven as the rendezvous afforded.

G—— had lost a good deal more than his steering gear, for the fire that had consumed his bridge had also gutted his cabin and reduced everything in it to cinders except an old leather jacket. As G—— was of about three times the girth of any other British officer in those waters at the time, the wardrobe we tried to rig up for him was a grotesque affair. He cut a weird figure in the tattered old Carmania, but not one of us who wouldn't have changed places with him—Norman and all—if we could have had the luck.

Fight to a Finish.

The guns, according to G——'s story, began firing as soon as they came in range. In the midst of the battle a German shell struck the captain's cabin and started the fire that gutted the bridge, destroying the navigating instruments and ultimately making it impossible for the commander to remain there. To reduce the dangerous draft that was fanning the flames, G—— headed the Carmania "down the wind." Nothing else would have saved her. Except for that, that would have enabled the German, thoroughly worsted (although G—— didn't know it) Cap Trafalgar to withdraw from the action. The German ship herself was in a bad way and had to take the same way, willy-nilly. From that moment she was as irretrievably joined to these old Spanish knife fights in which the opponents were locked in a room to fight to the finish.

Having driven from the bridge, the captain, one of the big men of the navy, and not very light on his feet, had to keep the ship running here, there and everywhere. With the battle going on, he had his men rig the steering gear, and then, as he had no way of communicating with the engine-room, he had to run forth between two exposed positions.

Finally, to open the range a little, "I had to nip for'ard, and there was an interval in both broadsides while I burst, and yell down the engine-room tube. Or, if I suddenly found myself in the same journey and have to 'Stop starboard!' I had to rack my brain for some plan to follow when our failing signals became exhausted; for the Cap Trafalgar began to slow down and started to sink. It took a third or third salvo, which hit her badly at the water line, to finish her."

In the surgical room the surgeon had just finished amputating one of a gunner's hand when he hobbled into the door of the room to announce that the German ship was sinking. The wounded sailor hobbled to port just in time to see the last salvos from the Carmania crashing into the side of the enemy. "Hurroor, boys!" he cried 'ad as many 'ands as I'd 'a' giv'n 'em all fer sinkin' that blinkin' pyrit Davy Jones."

Members of the British House of Commons lost their lives in the war.

Tons of flax seed have been shipped from the Tilbury district in Ontario to Belfast, Ireland.

Six ships are operating in Canadian waters on the Atlantic and two on the Pacific.

At the beginning of 1914 Kaiser Wilhelm was the richest person in Germany, with a fortune of over $98,000,000; next came the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz with $89,000,000, and then Frau Krupp von Bohlen with $80,000,000.

MARSHAL FOCH --BY HIMSELF

"THE PRINCIPLES OF WAR" BY THE ALLIED CHIEF

Some Extracts From the Most Remarkable Book On Tactics the War Has Produced

After the Franco-German War, a young Frenchman named Foch returned to a university in a district occupied by German troops, to resume his interrupted studies. Had the German troops foreseen that the knowledge which the young student was acquiring would, forty-seven years later, disembowel the German Empire, it is possible that a stray bullet might have ended Foch's career.

"The Principles of War" is, in effect, the story of the German defeat, for in it Marshal Foch explains the philosophies and strategies which have guided him during the great test. He lays down a thousand and one military laws, but behind all is an elasticity which perhaps is the real root of his genius. It is said of cricket that nothing is as certain as its uncertainty. So, of war, Foch writes:

"There is nothing absolute in war. The best plan will go wrong, and the most complete organization will break down if it is not applied by a man with skill and determination to take advantage of the changes and chances of the moment.

"The unknown is the governing condition of war. The best commanded armies have marched, have manoeuvred, amidst the unknown. It was unavoidable. They have, however, got the better of that dangerous situation; they have come out of it victoriously, by resorting to security, which enabled them to live, without suffering damage, in an atmosphere full of dangers."

The Outstretched Arm

What is the security of which he speaks? How, as he himself frames the question, can we master that unavoidable unknown? How shall we contrive to see through the thick fog which always surrounds the situations and actions of the enemy? The answer is by utilising the advance guard—which, in human forms, implies the "blokes" who sacrifice their immediate comfort and often their lives in order that they may hear, see, feel, or smell something which will convey what the enemy is up to.

"When one moves at night," says Foch, "without light, in one's own house, what does one do? Does one not (though it is a ground one knows well) extend one's arm in front of one so as to avoid knocking one's head against the wall? The extended arm is nothing but an advance guard.

"The arm keeps its suppleness when it advances, and only stiffens more or less when it meets an obstacle, in order to perform its duty without risk, to open a door, etc. In the same way, the advance guard can advance and go into action without risking destruction, provided it uses the suppleness and strength, manoeuvring power, resisting power."

Marshal Foch does not, of course, suggest that knowledge of a danger necessitates running straight into it. Among the considerations which must be weighed—sometimes with lightning rapidity—is one's capacity at the time the danger is sensed. This applies equally to small and large manoeuvres. To know one's capacity exactly requires very considerable skill, as the following illustration shows:

How the Regiment Dwindles

"One regiment of 3,000 rifles, if well cared for, represents, after a few days' campaigning, 2,800 rifles; less well managed, it will no longer include more than 2,000. The variations in the moral are at least as ample. How, then, compare two regiments with each other? Under the same name they represent two utterly different quantities; illness, hardships, bivouacking at night, re-act on the troops in different ways. Certain troops, after such an ordeal, are soon only a force in name. They are nothing but columns of hungry, exhausted sick men. Or you may have a division still called 'a division,' though it shall have lost part of its batteries, etc."

By exhorting, nevertheless, the "hungry, exhausted men" may regain their full fighting zest, and in this connection he quotes an inspiring exhortation of Bonaparte to the Army of Italy when passing the Alps:

"'Soldiers, you are naked, ill-fed. The Government owe you much; they can give you nothing. Your patience, the courage you show amid these crags, are admirable; but they secure no glory for you, no splendour shines on you. I will lead you into the most fertile plains of the world. Rich provinces, great towns will be in your power. You will find there honor, glory, and wealth. Soldiers of the Army of Italy, can you now lack courage or steadfastness?'

"He knew well the French weakness—lack of steadfastness. And then, from the summits of the Alps to the Apennines, comes one answer, shouted by the depleted battalions of our hungry soldiers: 'Forward!' The new war is launched. Henceforth it will be waged with the soldier's heart."

The wisdom of Napoleon is frequently quoted throughout Marshal Foch's book, although the modern genius generally seems too add some illuminating thought to the ideas of the genius of a century ago. Von Moltke and Clausewitz have also been closely studied. It is by pouring over every important military axiom, accepting some, improving some, rejecting others, and himself adding to the list, that Marshal Foch has built up the military code to which he owes his extraordinary success. He has not committed the cardinal sin, born of intolerance, of despising his ancestors or belittling his foes. To do such things is to make an impenetrable barrier between oneself and true greatness.

Foch on Discipline

On the subject of discipline he has a particularly interesting passage, showing that discipline is of the blind, unimaginative quality which some people imagine:

"To be disciplined does not mean that one does not commit any breach of discipline; that one does not commit some disorderly action. Such a definition works for the rank and file, but not at all for a commander, placed in any degree of the military hierarchy; least of all, therefore, for those who find themselves in the highest places.

"To be disciplined does not mean, either, that one only carries out an order received to such a point as appears to be convenient, fair, rational, or possible. It means that one frankly adapts the thoughts and views of the superior in command, and that one uses all humanly practicable means in order to give him satisfaction."

There may be some who will question his view that the whole responsibility of winning or losing a war rests on the shoulders of the commanders.

"Great results in war," he says, "are due to the commander. History is therefore right in making generals responsible for victories, in which case they are glorified, and for defeats; in which case they are disgraced. Without a commander, in battle, no victory is possible. The will to conquer, such is victory's first condition, and therefore every soldier's first duty, but it also amounts to a supreme resolve which the commander must, if need be, impart to the soldier's soul. A battle won is a battle in which one will not confess oneself beaten."

In that last remark Foch truly reveals himself.

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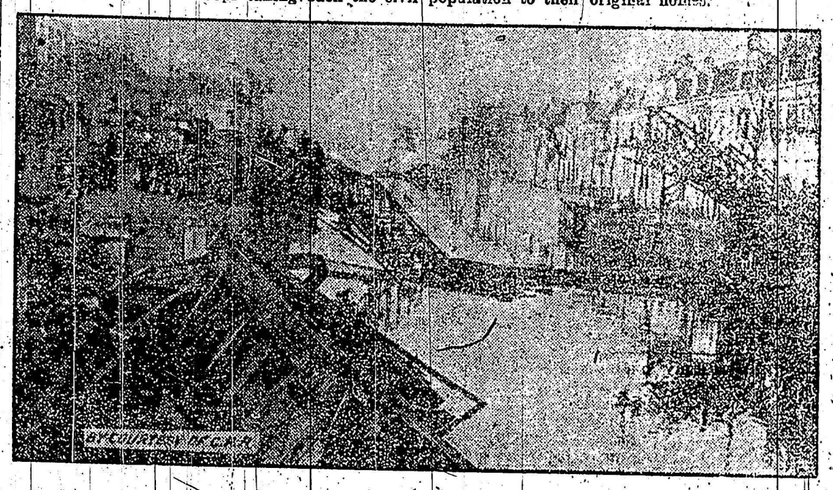

The River Scheldt and broken bridge at Tournai.

With the Fingers! Says Corns Lift Out Without Any Pain

Sore corns, hard corns, soft corns or any kind of a corn can shortly be lifted right out with the fingers if you will apply directly upon the corn a few drops of freezone, says a Cincinnati authority.

It is claimed that at small cost one can get a quarter of an ounce of freezone at any drug store, which is sufficient to rid one's feet of every corn or callus without pain or soreness or the danger of infection.

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This announcement will interest many women here, for it is said that the present high-heel footwear is putting corns on practically every woman's feet.

Could Take it Easy

She was a pompous lady who, having inherited a fortune, had bought a country seat, where she delighted to play the hostess.

"What beautiful chickens!" exclaimed a guest, who was being shown the poultry farm.

"Yes, they're all prize fowl," was the lady's reply.

"Oh, really; do they lay every day?"

"Oh, they could, of course," said the purse-proud lady, "but for people in our position it is not necessary for them to do it."

"Impatient people water their miseries and hoe up their comforts."—Spurgeon.

When veal lacks the necessary pink color, it has usually been killed too soon and is not desirable.

The Weekly Fashion

Though simple in line this model carries rather an air of sophistication that suggests it is not for the young Miss. McCall Pattern No. 8751 Ladies' Low Waistline Blouse. In 5 sizes, 34 to 42 bust. No. 8723, Ladies' Skirt. In 7 sizes, 22 to 34 waist. Price, 20 cents each. Transfer Design No. 336. Price, 10 cents.

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BIRTHDAYS

I do not know the gracious day
That drew your shining soul to earth,
When so much fire, so little clay,
Staid Goodwife Nature brought to birth.
But all the sweet, wild birds were there,—
"She is our Sister and shall sing"—
While the flowers whispered, "O prepare,
To see a lovelier blossoming."
Then Beauty, who had touched your lips
With flaming roses dipped in dew,
Shut Love within your finger tips
(The South Wind was the best of you.)
But ah, there came another day,
And suddenly—You were not here!
A Gift transcendent slipped away;
I know your heavenly birthday, dear.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds.

PRISONERS BURIED ALIVE.

Fiendish Cruelty of Germans is Described by Returned Canadian.

One of the interesting passengers by the Princess Juliana, who arrived at Ottawa recently, was Sergt. Webster of Ottawa, who enlisted in the first few days of the war, went to France with the 2nd Battalion, was wounded and taken prisoner at the second battle of Ypres, and interned in Giessen Camp. Of the Germans he said that it was one of the hardest Germany and the hardest life he knew of. There were eight hundred in the electrified enclosure, and the only change of clothes was a burrow rabbit-fashion [illegible]. "But on more than one occasion poor chap they buried alive. We covered by the guards, and the opening was closed [illegible] was buried alive and left [illegible]."

Sergt. Webster says [illegible] one English man knocked down a [illegible] Germans, and his face [illegible] five rifle butts crashing [illegible] at one time."

The second time Sergt. Webster tempted to escape he [illegible] about the Lahnburg Dutch traitor, when [illegible] prisoner by a German [illegible] taken into the mess [illegible] become known that [illegible] was in their power. The [illegible] shot.

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A sailor who has recently married gives the following description of his bride and her apparel:—

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"At the time we were married [illegible] was newly rigged for [illegible] with standing riggings [illegible] flowers; mainsail part silk [illegible] staysail of Valenciennes [illegible] was of the best steel [illegible] silk, with whalebone stays [illegible].

"This rigging is intended for fair weather cruising. She has also a set of storm sails for rough weather and is rigging out a small [illegible] vas for light squalls, which [illegible] to occur in this latitude [illegible] ter.

"I am told in running down [illegible] street before the wind she [illegible] answers the helm beautifully, and can turn round in her length if a craft passes her."

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