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s.s. "Nankin" Aug. 4	Colombo with	s.s. "Malwa" Aug. 28
" " " " " 18	" " " " "	" " "Kaiser-i-Hind" Sept. 11
" " " " " 1	" " " " "	" " "Mooltan" Sept. 25
" " " " " 15	" " " " "	" " "Kashgar" Oct. 9
" " " " " 29	" " " " "	" " "Karimata" Oct. 23
" " " " " 13	" " " " "	" " "Arabia" Nov. 5
" " " " " 27	" " " " "	" " "Morea" Nov. 19
" " " " " 10	" " " " "	" " "Medina" Dec. 3

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OUTWARD—1916.

For China.

Due Singapore	Connection with	Leaving London
s/s "Novara" July 9	s/s "Kaiser-i-Hind"	June 9
" " " " " 23	" " " " "	" 20
" " " " " 7	" " "Kashgar"	July 7
" " " " " 21	" " " " "	" 18
" " " " " 3	" " "Arabia"	Aug. 4
" " " " " 17	" " "Morea"	Aug. 18
" " " " " 31	" " "Medina"	Sept. 1
" " " " " 14	" " "Mongolia"	Sept. 15
" " " " " 28	" " "Malwa"	Sept. 29
" " " " " 11	" " " " "	Oct. 12
" " " " " 25	" " "Mooltan"	Oct. 27

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s.s. "Yugala"	...	22. " "
s.s. "Boribai"	...	25. " "
s.s. "No departure"	...	29. " "
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DEPTH OF WATER ON THE  
BANGKOK BAR.

FOR AUG., 1916.

A.M.				
Aug.	H. W.	Ft. & in.	L. W.	Fee
16	5 30	12 0	...	...
17	6 30	12 0	...	...
18	7 30	12 0	...	...
19	8 00	11 9	...	...
20	9 00	11 8	3.4	7.0
21	10 00	11 5	4.0	7.0
22	10 30	11 2	4.0	7.0
23	11 00	11 0	4.5	7.0
24	...	...	5.6	7.0
25	...	...	6.7	7.0
26	...	...	7.8	7.0
27	...	...	8.9	6.0
28	2 00	12 0	10.11	6.0
29	3 30	12 0	12.0	6.0
30	5 00	12 7	...	...
31	6 00	12 9	...	...
Sept.	7 00	13 10	2.3	7.0
1	8 00	13 4	3.0	6.0
2	9 00	13 0	4.0	6.0
3	10 00	13 0	5.0	7.0
4	11 00	12 7	6.7	7.0
5	12 00	12 11	7.8	7.0
6	...	...	8.9	7.0
7	...	...	9.10	7.0
8	...	...	9.10	7.0
9	1 30	11 2	10.11	7.0
10	3 30	11 6	11.12	6.0
11	4 30	12 5	11.12	6.0
12	5 30	13 0	11.12	6.0
13	6 00	13 1	...	...
14	6 30	13 1	1.0	7.0

P.M.				
Aug.	H. W.	Ft. & in.	L. W.	Foot
16	8 00	14 2	1.2	6.0
17	8 00	14 2	1.2	6.0
18	8 30	14 0	1.2	6.0
19	8 30	13 9	1.2	7.0
20	8 30	13 7	2.0	7.0
21	8 30	12 11	...	...
22	8 30	12 10	...	...
23	7 15	13 0	...	...
24	5 30	13 9	...	...
25	5 30	13 10	...	...
26	6 00	14 2	...	...
27	6 00	14 4	...	...
28	6 30	14 4	...	...
29	7 00	14 8	...	...
30	7 30	14 10	1.0	6.0
31	7 30	14 1	1.0	6.0
Sept.	7 30	14 5	1.2	7.0
2	7 30	14 8	1.2	7.0
3	8 00	14 3	...	...
4	8 00	14 0	...	...
5	8 00	13 8	...	...
6	5 30	13 5	...	...
7	5 30	13 10	...	...
8	5 00	14 2	...	...
9	5 30	14 5	...	...
10	5 30	14 8	...	...
11	6 00	14 8	...	...
12	6 00	14 11	...	...
13	6 30	14 10	...	...
14	6 30	14 6	1.0	7.0
15	7 00	14 1	1.0	7.0

PHASES OF THE MOON.  
Sept. 5th First Quarter 11.9 a.m.  
" 12th Full Moon 3.13 a.m.  
" 19th Last Quarter 0.17 p.m.  
" 27th New Moon 2.16 p.m.

A Submarine's Voyage  
To America.

A German submarine, the "Deutschland," has succeeded in crossing the Atlantic. Starting from Heligoland on June 23, she arrived at Newport News, Virginia, early on Sunday morning, after a voyage of over 4,000 miles.

The "Deutschland's" voyage, however, is by no means an exceptional feat. Ten British submarines constructed in Canada crossed the Atlantic last summer, and the submarines built in this country for the Australian Navy went out under their own power, although escorted by surface warships.

Capt. Kairiz its captain, said the voyage across the Atlantic was one of 4,000 miles, and of the distance 1,800 miles were travelled under water in the North Sea area to avoid the British Fleet.

"It does not open a new era for the submarine as a trader," said an Admiralty official. "The small amount of cargo carried compared with the cost of the voyage makes it not a commercial proposition."

"Germany has to trade overseas in vessels which sneak about under the water and carry only a small amount of cargo. It will want a lot of 1,000 tons to make up the trade she has lost."

"England commands the sea routes, and while the trade of every nation passes freely and in safety, Germany has to crawl under the sea. It is the finest demonstration possible of the efficacy of the blockade which is being maintained by our cruiser squadrons."

The "New York Tribune" says the fact is a notable one, but the notion that it proves the British blockade to be of no account is a delusion, as the Germans themselves are well aware.

"The arrival of the German 'U' boat has its amusing side," says the "Westminster." "It is as if, in a cycle race, the competitor who found himself hopelessly behind in the actual contest proceeded to arouse the interest of the spectators by doing tricks."

"When we are told that the 'Deutschland' is the prisoner of a class of commercial submarines, which are going to nullify the British blockade we can afford to smile. A service of convoys carrying food would be as effective in feeding the German population. The submarine divested of guns and torpedoes might carry as much as one of the big barges which are familiar upon the Rhine."

"She carried, it is alleged, a cargo of dyestuffs, medicines, and mails, and most precious of all, an autograph letter from the All Highest to President Wilson. Twenty-five days out from Bremen for an Imperial missive from the War Lord who has been claiming

a stupendous naval victory is rather slow work compared to what Herr Balin's 'ocean greyhounds' can do—if only they could get out," says "The Times."

"On one point the unanimity of all Germans who have yet spoken, ashore or afloat, is complete. All are of one accord that the submarine is a merchantman. Count Bernstorff has announced that his sole interest in the matter is to see that she is treated as a merchant ship, and we see no reason to question that this is all he does want—for the present. But it really is a good deal to want, and may prove quite impossible to grant when the legal status of this novel craft and the consequences which might follow from an erroneous decision have been duly weighed. Even if her claim to be at present a merchant ship be ostensibly established it must not lightly be assumed that the whole problem which she presents has been disposed of. Everybody knows that it is easy in these days to convert even ordinary liners into ships of war at short notice."

"It would be unwise to minimise the event. It is more than an event," says the "Mail." "It is a portent, precisely similar to M. Bleriot's crossing of the Channel in an aeroplane in July, 1909, when he won the 'Daily Mail' £1,000 prize. As his feat has already vitally affected the condition of life, the 'Deutschland's' voyage threatens to affect them in future."

"The American public have received a demonstration that German submarines can reach their home waters," says the "Chronicle." "Although the limits of what could be done in this way would for obvious reasons be likely to remain narrow during the present war, the vista of possibilities which is opened up for future wars is one which the United States would be wise to take fully into account."

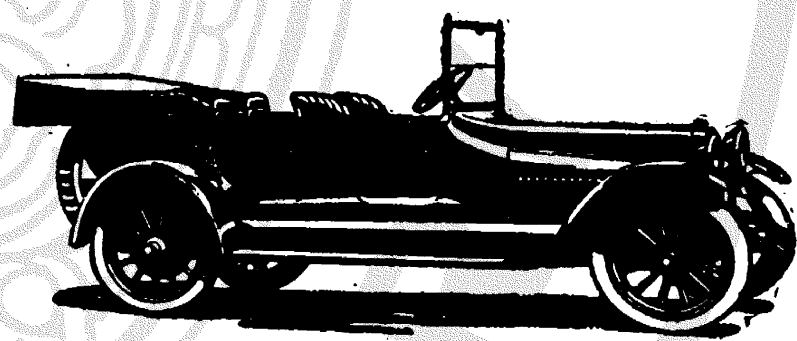
The United States Treasury Department has advised the State Department that the "Deutschland" is an unarmed freight carrier, which could not be converted for purposes of offence "without extensive structural changes."

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**Honours for Soldiers.**

London, Aug. 18.—Marking the occasion of the King's visit to France the Grand Cross of the Victorian Order will be conferred on General Haig and Knight Commanderships of the Order on General Sir H. Rawlinson and General Sir Reginald Bacon.

London, Aug. 18.—There was an investiture at Buckingham Palace of Major General Goring to a Commandership of the Bath.

London, Aug. 18.—The following appointments are notified in the Gazette. Commander of St. Michael and St. George Colonel C. H. Bridge. Companion of St. Michael and St. George Lieut Colonel C. S. Stag. Companions of the Bath Colonels Wilfrid Malleon, J. C. Rimington, Lieut. Colonels C. B. Clery, H. K. MacGeorge.

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Military Crosses Captains. J. A. Cruickshank, H. A. Goldsmith, G. B. Walker.

**Belgians in East Africa.**

Havre, Aug. 19.—A communique says: The first fortnight of August was marked by a fresh advance of Belgians on the whole front in East Africa. Molitor's brigade starting from Lutoko in Uganda at the end of April has now penetrated three hundred and fifty miles into German territory and defeated the enemy in five actions. It occupied St. Michael on Aug. 12 establishing contact with Sir E. Crowe's British force.

From Mwanza Olsen's brigade operating in Tanganyika occupied Kigoma Ujiji on July 29 and subsequently sixty miles of German railway from Kigoma to Rotschazi. Our booty includes two of the Koenigsberg's guns.

**Murray's Katia Victory.**

Cairo, Aug. 18.—General Murray estimates that the strength of the enemy in the Katia operations was 18,000 of whom half are casualties including 3,950 prisoners. We made immense captures of war material including a Krupp seventy-five millimetre mountain battery with four thousand rounds, machine guns, 2,300 rifles, a million cartridges, and five hundred camels. The enemy burned huge stores.

**The Kut Prisoners.**

In the House of Commons, Mr. Forster said that 80 British Army officers and 178 men, and 139 Indian Army officers, captured at Kut had been traced. No names of Indian men had been reported.

**Mesopotamia Muddle.**

London, Aug. 18.—The British Medical journal states it received a letter from Sir Victor Horsley on July 5 intended to prevent the case of responsible medical officers in Mesopotamia being prejudiced by the report of the Vincent Commission, and to show that the failure of the medical arrangements in Mesopotamia was due to defective transport and that the failure was bound up in the question of the unsatisfactory relation of the Finance Department of the Indian Government and the medical service. The journal severely criticises the appointment of commissioners not possessing medical knowledge and pays a high tribute to the services of medical officers in Mesopotamia despite deficiencies due in Horsley's opinion to "financial terrorism in times of peace."

**The Salonika Front.**

Salonika, Aug. 19.—Official: The Bulgarians attacked along the Serbian front. The Serbians counter-attacked driving back the enemy to their original positions with enormous enemy losses.

Paris, Aug. 19.—A Salonika telegram says that the enemy attack was held up by the Allies three miles from Florina. Bulgarians attacked the village of Dolzeli, which changed hands several times.

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**THE Great War.****Air Raids.**

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 26.

Official.—Several airships crossed the east and south-east coasts of England at midnight and dropped a number of bombs. Hitherto no casualties or damage have been reported.

Later.

Official.—There were six air-raid, only one of which travelled far inland. Hitherto nine persons are reported to have been injured, some of them fatally. The damage done is slight. An aeroplane fired on the raider at close range, but the latter was able to make its escape.

London, Aug. 27.

Official.—An air-raider reached the outskirts of London and dropped 40 explosive and incendiary bombs. Three men, three women and two children were killed. Three men and four women were seriously injured and four men, seven women and three children were slightly injured. Fourteen soldiers were seriously and slightly injured. An electric power station and engineering works were damaged by fire. Altogether a hundred bombs were dropped.

**German Trenches Taken**

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 26.

General Haig's communiqué.—South of Thiepval three hundred yards by four hundred yards deep of enemy trenches were taken. Many prisoners were captured.

**Steamer Submerged.**

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 27.

Official.—The armed boarding steamer, the Duke of Albany was submerged in the North Sea on August 24. Twenty-four on board were drowned and 88 saved.

**Signalling to Submarines.**

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 27.

Rome.—In order to check the signalling to enemy submarines, the Italian troops occupied Porto Palermo and Kalarat on the coast of Albanian Epirus which is in the Greek sphere of influence.

**Havas Telegrams.**

Paris, Aug. 24.

Yesterday we progressed on the right of the Meuse between Fleury and Thiaumont Work. The British progressed south of Thiepval.

To-day we repulsed attacks south of the Somme. In Champagne, the total prisoners taken yesterday exceed 250 of whom five are officers.

On the Salonika front between Strouma and the heights of the Mogienica valley the Anglo-French repulsed enemy attacks. The Serbians re-occupied the height north-west of Lake Oustrovo.

Petrograd.—In the direction of Moscow, we took the complete 4th Division of the Turks. We also captured two entire regiments with their staffs.

Rome.—We captured strong positions west of the slopes of west Tofano and in the Travenanza valley.

Paris, Aug. 25.

Yesterday we took Maurepas and made progress for 200 metres near the village on a front of 2 kilometres. We captured 200 prisoners and 11 machine-guns. We made progress east of Fleury, taking prisoners.

The British advanced 300 metres towards Thiepval and took 164 prisoners. To-day we moved down violent attacks south of Maurepas and took prisoners.

Petrograd.—In the Caucasus we re-occupied Mush, taking prisoners.

**British Zeppelins.**

London, Aug. 19.—First mention of British Zeppelins are articles in the newspapers, describing the flights of great marvellously rapid and most easily airships. Neutral skippers who are constantly seeing German Zeppelins, consider the British superior, better engaged and less cumbersome.

**Extracts From the Government Gazette.**

(Of 27th August, 2459.)

The Minister of Finance announces that the indulgence of a rebate in the Poll Tax of Ticals 2 per head granted to the inhabitants of Ambhor Nam Padi in the Changwad of Utharadit will be discontinued from next year.

H. E. Chao Phya Yommaraj announces a change in the schedule of penalties that may be imposed on members of the Police by the various higher grade officers.

Luang Visut Sunthorn, Secretary of the Siam Legation at Rome, has been granted the Royal permission to wear the 5th class of the Crown of Italy bestowed on him in connection with his services at the Turin Exhibition.

The firm of Soon Seng Lee has been registered as a limited partnership, the objects of the business being dealing in gold leaf, drafts on Singapore, Hongkong and Swatow and in general produce. Chin Tai Chin, Chin Tai How, Chin Tai Ping and Chin Lye Haw are the partners of the business which is situated at Sampeng.

H.R.H. Prince of Rajaburi, Minister of Agriculture notifies that Moin Chao Salai Thong has been empowered to act from time to time as Registrar of Titles in such Mondhols as the Minister may appoint him. There is also an announcement that Phra Prathes Khamthakara of Nagor Svarga has been transferred as Registrar at Mondhol Ubol. Luang San Koiyabhat from Ubol will act at Nagor Svarga.

The Queen Somdech Phra Mathutachachao Phra Borom Raja Devi has given the Wang Lang Hospital the sum of 2,000 Ticals in memory of His Late Majesty.

Luang Thip Panya, Judge of the Tax Court has given Ticals 500 to the Red Cross.

Phya Uten Delakosintha has given 40 ticals to the Chulalongkorn Hospital and Phya Prachachai Suradej the sum of ticals 48. Phra Rajaya Sathok of Paknam has given 100 ticals in memory of his father, Chao Phya Dharma has given 480 ticals to the Mahat Lek College.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

Mr. C. E. King returned to Bangkok by the *Redang*.

The s.s. "Katong" left Singapore on Saturday the 26th inst., and may be expected to arrive at the Borneo Company's wharf on Tuesday evening.

Miss Cox and Mrs. Legge arrived by the s.s. "Wai Shing" from Haikow on Saturday. Mr. G. Harvey Kelly (Royal Railway Dept.) and Miss Mary Stark arrived by the s.s. "Kajang."

The Boy Scouts of the Suan Kularb School had an outing on Saturday and spent the whole night in a sham fight down at Klong Toi. They returned to Bangkok on Sunday morning.

The *Dunfer* from Bangkok which arrived in Swatow on August 16 had no mails on board. The captain reported that on the way out he was stopped by a British cruiser which confiscated the mails.

BECAUSE of the attractive rates on ocean freight, a Philadelphia firm have purchased from the United States Government the historic frigate Franklin, with the intention of putting her into service again as a merchantman. She was built over 100 years ago.

ANOTHER batch of those who failed to pay the annual poll-tax fees, comprising of about 150 Chinese and 50 Siamese were towed down from the Harbour Department's landing to Paknam this morning, to be put on to work there for a period of one month.

THE traditional medal annually coined by the Holy See on the occasion of the Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul this year significantly commemorates peace. It represents the Pope surrounded by five figures symbolising parts of the world, and the Virgin Mary descending from heaven offering an olive branch.

THE football match played yesterday at Suan Dusit between the Krom Mahorabod and the Rua Kol resulted in a victory for the former by three goals to nil. The fact that the Krom Rua Kol won against the Central Legion, while the Krom Mahorabod lost against them shows that the Rua Kol are falling off a good deal. Mom Chao Kechara acted as referee. There was a large crowd of spectators and His Majesty the King, wearing the uniform of the Navy, took a keen interest in the game.

Kingston, Jamaica, Aug. 17.—A cyclone has swept Southern Jamaica and the banana crops are damaged. Kingston is isolated. Some people were killed.



## British Legation Telegrams.

(British Legation telegrams are not to be regarded as official communications from His Britannic Majesty's Representative, unless they are marked "official.")

### Summary of the Week at the British Fronts.

(Unofficial.)

London, Aug. 26.

The Western Front.—The week has seen a steady British advance in the west. On Friday afternoon August 18th about 5 p.m. there was an attack all along the front from Thiepval to the Somme. South of Thiepval after a tremendous bombardment a strongly fortified area was carried by two British battalions, 6 enemy officers and 170 men surrendering in one body and altogether it is probable that some 2000 Germans were accounted for. A counter attack was promptly scattered by our guns. We also advanced towards Martinpuich and from High Wood southward advanced our line on a frontage of more than two miles, or a distance varying from two hundred to six hundred yards. We took a stone quarry on the edge of Guillemont after a hard struggle of several hours. These successes gave us a position on a broad front looking over the watershed.

On Sunday the 20th the Germans shelled our front heavily and about noon attacked our new lines on the western side of High Wood. They reached a portion of our trench line but were immediately driven out by our infantry. Next day at High Wood and at Mouquet farm there were frequent bombing attacks which came to nothing. On Tuesday August 22nd we advanced steadily on our left wing pushing our line to the very edge of Mouquet farm as well as to the northeast of it, and closing in to within one thousand yards of Thiepval.

On Wednesday the Germans made a great effort to drive us out of the high ground south of Thiepval but failed completely and lost heavily in the attack. The weather had become clearer and our counter battery work silenced some of the enemy's batteries while our aircraft fought many battles. We lost no single machine but four enemy airplanes were destroyed and many others driven to the ground in a damaged condition.

\* A sentence in a captured letter paid tribute to the efficiency of British airmen:

"Airmen circle over us and try to do damage, but only enemy ones, for German airmen will not dare to come near (?). Behind the front line there is a great crowd of them but here not one makes his appearance."

On Wednesday night and Thursday morning a very severe counter-attack on our position at Guillemont, pursued with great determination failed to win any ground. That afternoon on August 24th we advanced on Thiepval, coming at one point within five hundred yards of the place.

The result of the week's fighting is that a larger part of the British front has won the crown of the plateau. On two flanks Thiepval has been made into an acute salient which we command from the heights, and Guillemont is gripped by our pincers on three sides.

### East Africa.

The general (?) in the south is closing in rapidly, on the German remnant. Van Deventer's column is pushing East along the central railway. Other columns are descending on the railway between Van Deventer and the sea, and general Northey is moving to the same objective from the south. Meantime on the coast another column is advancing on Dar es Salaam from Bagamoyo, now in British hands, with the co-operation of naval forces.

### Salonika.

The British forces in General Sarrail's army have during the week taken part in repelling the Bulgarian offensive. There has been considerable artillery activity on Lake Doiran and the Struma fronts, and British mounted troops have made valuable reconnaissances.

### Naval.

On Saturday August 19th the German High Sea Fleet came out of harbour but refused to engage and soon returned to its base. Two British light cruisers were sunk by submarines in searching for the enemy. That same day a British submarine engaged a German Dreadnought battleship of the "Naasan" class and struck her twice with torpedoes. There is good reason to believe that the battleship sank before reaching port.

### PADDY REPORT FOR AUG. 27.

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21st to 27th August 1916 (Last week.)	
Naasan	14340 Coyans.
Samruang	3590 "
Namuang	1280 "
Total	2,0980 "

## Akorn Ha Yong's Appeal Dismissed.

The judgment of the Appeal Court in the case in which Akorn Ha Yong, Nai Hok and Nai Mun appealed against the conviction and sentence of death passed on them by the Criminal Court on the charge of murdering Luang Tavi Watana, the Amphur of Talat Mai on July 8 last, was read to-day. By a lengthy judgment, the reading of which occupied considerably over an hour, the judges affirmed the finding and sentence of the lower Court.

### Rugger.

The game at the Sports Club on Saturday was a return fixture, Merchants vs. the Rest. The previous game resulted in a victory for the Merchants, the margin was narrow, however, 6 points to 3. The Rest thought they could reverse that decision while the Merchants were sure they could improve on it. The ground was in splendid condition, and everything pointed to a hard and strenuous tussle. Merchants had out full sides, while the Rest were one man short. Play was very even, neither side having much advantage. Merchants' forwards were heavier in the scrum, but in the loose the Rest had rather the better of their heavier opponents. After a lot of midfield play the Rest got moving down towards the Merchants' twenty-five. A fine kick by Croncher, however, sent the ball to the other end, where through a misunderstanding on the part of the Rest backs one of the Merchants managed to touch down over the line. This try should have been saved easily. The resulting kick for goal went just outside the post, so full points weren't made. The Rest now took up the running more strongly and got well down the field. Their forwards were working very well and were on the point of getting the ball over the line when they were pulled up for some infringement of the rules. The Merchants managed to clear from the scrum and for the time being, cleared their lines. The Rest were not to be denied and worked their way down again. Ferdinands secured just in front of goal, and taking no chances, dropped a nice goal putting the Rest one point to the good. The Rest were now going very strong and several chances were lost by men hanging on to the ball too long, and not passing when they were in a position to do so. Half time came with no more scoring. The second half very much resembled the first half, except that play was more even. Merchants' three quarters had some very nice passing runs, but could not get through the strong defence of the Rest. Forwards on both sides worked hard, but neither side could score. No side was called, and the result of a keenly contested game was a win for the Rest, the score being 2 Rest—1 dropped goal (4 points) Merchants 1 try (3 points).

## Photographers in Japan.

A disgraceful scene occurred in the Oriental Hotel, Kobe, on the 28th ult., on the arrival at that place of the Siamese Prince who is passing through Japan. No sooner had the Prince entered the foyer than he was surrounded by a mob of Press photographers anxious to get pictures, says the "Japan Chronicle." The men took the tables from guests sitting in the foyer on which to fix their cameras, and the Prince and his party were hustled about in a shameful way. Eventually the distinguished visitor and his suite got away from the mob and sought refuge in a room upstairs. Japanese Press photographers in Kobe are getting as bad as, if they are not already worse than, the picture takers on the staffs of American papers. Sir Rabindranath Tagore was nearly dismembered when he arrived in Kobe a few weeks ago, and now a brother of the King of Siam is treated in the same discourteous way.

### Exchange of Congratulations.

London, Aug. 20.—On the occasion of President Poincare's birthday the King telegraphed congratulating him and saying he was confident the Anglo-French troops co-operating would ensure success in the common cause. President Poincare in reply thanking the King for his confidence said the close cooperation of the two countries was a sure pledge of victory.

### More Regulations.

London, Aug. 19.—Additional Defence of the Realm Regulations prohibit the use of petrol for charabanc excursions, holding fairs likely to impede the production and transport of war material, cab whistling which disturbs the wounded, the entry into Ireland of Aliens or Britishers who have arrived since March 1st from overseas. They also empower officials to demand information from traders as to their stocks with a view to preventing corners.

## The Russian Fighting.

Petrograd, Aug. 18.—Official. A strong enemy attack west of Podgaj and the Zlota-lipa was repulsed with enormous losses. We occupied the towns of Sysiec and Stare on the Zolotynska Bistritsa. Detachments of ours are approaching Koromezso south of the Jablonica pass.

A squadron of Russian seaplanes on Wednesday night dropped many bombs on aerodromes in the lake Angaon and Gulf of Riga district destroying an airship shed and causing several fires. Seaplanes carried out work amidst the furious fire of anti-aircraft guns and returned safely.

London, Aug. 18.—The enemy in Galicia is apparently firmly holding his wing positions sixty miles apart. The Austrian communique speaks of violent assaults by masses of Russians for twelve hours continuously against Boehm Ernold's northern wing. It admits the trenches were penetrated at various points but only temporarily. Sakharoff in this region is fighting only three miles ahead of the ground he won before the retirement of Bohmer farther south.

The position at the Halicz bridgehead is also unchanged. Here the enemy is desperately striving to hold the bridgehead over the Dniester.

Petrograd, Aug. 19.—The communique says that the enemy is active in Volhynia, east of Brody and south of the Pripiet. Everywhere he was repulsed.

The Russians in the neighbourhood of Tchirvistihe, on the Stokhod, broke the enemy's front, captured the village of Toboly, capturing 220 prisoners.

The enemy assumed the offensive at Kirlobaba. The Russian advance guards fell back. There was somewhat heavy fighting in the direction of Diarbekir.

Petrograd, Aug. 20.—The communique says: On the Stokhod we retained the village of Toboly, after it had frequently changed hands. Two hundred Austrians were captured in a Cossack charge and six hundred taken prisoner on the heights west of Jablonica. Lutomenska has been occupied.

The enemy loss in the fighting which resulted in the Russian crossing of the upper Sereth averaged seventy per cent. One Austrian detachment of five thousand mustered three hundred after two days attacks; nineteen hundred were captured the remainder were killed or wounded. The majority of the dead were bayoneted in close fighting. A feature of the battle was a charge of Russian cavalry who galloped 12 miles and plunged into the flank of the German infantry hastening to the support of the Austrians and practically exterminated one German regiment just come from Verdun and two battalions of Austrian Jaeger and pursued the remainder to their trenches where the majority were cut up. Only a few were taken prisoner.

The Austro-German communique mentions that Bohmer is employing Turks.

The Russians are close to the Hungarian frontier which as yet has not been crossed and are advancing by the Jablonica or Koromezso pass, which is the main route from Kolomea to Debreczen in the plains of Hungary.

An Austrian communique admits a retirement west of Zabic after violent Russian attacks on the Chornohora ridge of the Carpathians.

### The Position.

A telegram from Petrograd says the comparative lull on the Russian front does not signify a ceasing of the offensive. It is a natural result of the bigness of the Russian success. The enemy at some points retreated 20 to 30 miles destroying bridges which the Russians are busy reconstructing and are simultaneously regrouping their armies in view of the next great blow. Bothmer's new positions on the Zlota-lipa are out-flanked in the south by the Russians operating north of the Dniester.

### Items of Interest.

London, Aug. 20.—The Italian steamer Stampalia has been sunk.

London, Aug. 17.—Four thousand bales of jute from the steamer Langholm have been burned at Cadiz.

Amsterdam, Aug. 18.—The notorious renegade Houston Stewart Chamberlain has become a German.

London, Aug. 18.—The death has occurred of John Bythell, ex-chairman of the Manchester Ship Canal.

London, Aug. 18.—The King has signed an order in council prohibiting exports to Sweden except by licence under guarantee they will not reach the enemy.

Cairo, Aug. 20.—In addition to Jeddah and Mecca telegraphic communication is now established with Taif, and Bahra via Adfa and Snakin.

London, Aug. 20.—Official: Sir Beauchamp Duff has been recalled to give evidence before the Mesopotamia Commissions. General Monro succeeds him.

Rome, Aug. 18.—Sir Horace Plunkett is seriously ill and it is uncertain whether he will be able to participate in the opening of the industrial commission.

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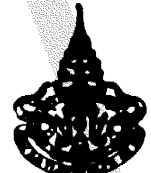


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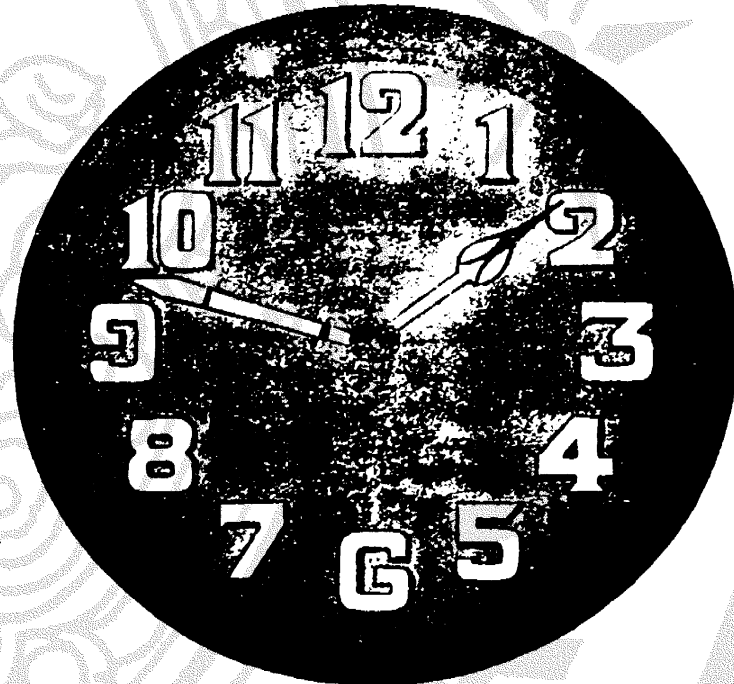
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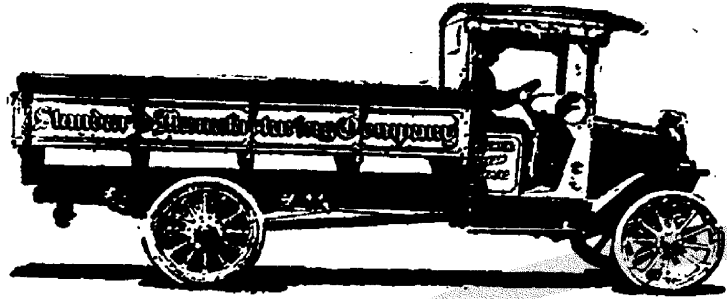
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#### Western Front.

##### The Pressure Maintained.

London, Aug. 17.—Mr. Warner Allen emphasises that the western front is the pivot of the Allied operations. The British and French are seeking to hold the greatest possible German force so as to facilitate the operations of the Russians and Italians. It is estimated that two thirds of the total German strength is on the Western front, namely one hundred and twenty-one divisions, compared with fifty-three on the eastern front. The effectiveness of the pressure is proved by the enemy's hesitancy to send troops eastward.

London, Aug. 17.—Beuter's and other correspondents at headquarters emphasise the futility and costliness of the German counter-attacks on the Somme. There were three main and ten minor counter-attacks on Pozieres between Aug. 5 and Aug. 8. It is known that one battalion lost four hundred out of five hundred and fifty and other losses were proportionate. Hence the Germans are constantly employing fresh divisions. It is calculated that they have used on the Somme an equal number of troops as in the whole fighting at Verdun.

The Times military correspondent, however, is of opinion that breaking the German power is likely to be long, costly and difficult. He says that it is unsafe to reckon on less than two million still available, and German drafts in addition are half a million new recruits yearly.

##### Methodical Work.

Paris, Aug. 17.—The methodical British operations in gradually surrounding Thiepval have gaffled French experts. The capture of Monque Farm, half a mile north west of Pozieres, is important as it stands at a height of 456 feet, commanding Thiepval plateau and town. Similarly Hill 160, north east of Pozieres, commands Courcellet village and the main road to Bapaume, five miles distant.

Amsterdam, Aug. 17.—Forty long trains crammed with troops passed Cologne yesterday towards the Somme.

London, Aug. 19.—A German aeroplane was killed in flames in our trenches as a result of an air combat yesterday. A second machine was killed by gunfire. Our aircraft successfully dropped bombs on enemy's billets and at various places.

London, Aug. 19.—Official: Naval aeroplanes dropped forty-eight bombs on the ammunition dumps at Lichtervelde. Large fires ensued. The planes returned safely.

##### A Good Week End.

London, Aug. 19.—Reuter's special representative at headquarters in France says the week-end fighting has

developed into one of the most important and successful battles of the western offensive. Besides satisfactorily progressing towards complete mastery of the ridge we captured a thousand prisoners, many machine guns and much material. Several formidable strong points were destroyed and the way prepared for further progress.

We were most successful in the neighbourhood of Leipzig Redoubt and at Martinpulch. The enemy morale has been badly shaken. Under the incessant and terrific punishment a whole squad of Saxons deserted, unable to face the music.

London, Aug. 19.—Sir Douglas Haig's communique says that our line has been advanced from High Wood to the junction with the French over a frontage of two miles, and a depth of two hundred to six hundred yards. We have also advanced over a front of half a mile between Ovillers and Thiepval.

Last night's success was maintained, in spite of the most determined counter-attacks, except on the extreme right, where the enemy has regained a little ground. We hold the western outskirts of Guillemont and the line from these northwards to midway between Delville Wood, Ginchy orchards, north of Longueval.

Between High Wood and the Albert-Bapaume road we captured some hundreds of yards of trench and advanced three hundred yards. East of Monquet Farm we captured several hundred prisoners.

Later.—The text of Sir Douglas Haig's yesterday's communications read:—Operations at various points Thiepval to our extreme right, south of Guillemont, a distance of eleven miles, were most successful. We captured a ridge south east and overlooking Thiepval, the northern slopes of high ground north of Pozieres, whence an extensive view is to be had eastward and northeastwards. We hold the western edge of High Wood and enemy trenches extending half a mile west of the Wood. We advanced the line halfway between Ginchy and the edge of Guillemont, where we hold the outskirts, including the railway station and a quarry which is of considerable military importance.

796 prisoners were counted up to four in the afternoon and these include sixteen officers.

The enemy also shelled the vicinity of Vierstraet, Ypres, and Hill Sixty.

##### The Active French.

A French communique (of Aug 19?) says that the enemy during the night delivered violent counter attacks against the positions captured recently in the region north of Maurepas to Clercy, which we smashed by machine-gun fire and energetic counter offen-

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lives. The enemy only gaining a small piece of trench.

The Germans twice attacked north-east of Avocourt redoubt and hill 304 but were forced back at every point. Obstinate fighting continues on the right bank of the Meuse. The whole of Fleury is now in our possession, after desperate fighting, despite violent counter attacks in which the enemy had bloody losses.

Amsterdam, Aug. 19.—The German communique reluctantly admits yesterday night's successes. It adds the Germans withdrew from a salient between Guillemont and Maurepas according to plans.

London, Aug. 21.—The following is the text of General Haig's communique: At noon on Sunday the enemy delivered a strong attack on the new line we have established for about half a mile from the western corner of High Wood. He succeeded in reaching this line at a certain point but was driven out again by our infantry who immediately re-occupied the trench. Subsequently hostile attacks broke down under our artillery fire.

The enemy heavily shelled different portions of our front more especially Highwood and Hamel mainly.

Despite low clouds our aircraft did most useful work yesterday in communicating with the advanced infantry. One came down to a low height and opened fire with his machine-gun most effectively on the enemy's infantry in the front line trenches and also on hostile reinforcements.

London, Aug. 18.—Lord Derby, speaking at Stockport, said that the war was going in our favour. The military authorities were absolutely satisfied with the progress.

Mr. Lloyd George, at Criccieth, expressed himself satisfied with the way things were going. They felt for the first time in two years that the nippers were gripping, and soon we should hear the crack, when we should be able to extract the kernel. The vigour of our demands would be proportionate to the undiminished sacrifices made by Great Britain. We must have a complete and unchallengeable victory that will be a warning to kings and their counsellors of the reckoning demanded by civilised nations for their outrages. Let us have done with war now and forever.

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### THE RAINFALL.

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Locality.	Rainfall recorded during the week.	Rainfall of corresponding week of last year.	Total rainfall for present year to date.	Total rainfall for last year to corresponding date.	Remarks.
	Millimetres.	Millimetres.	Millimetres.	Millimetres.	
Ministry of Agriculture	28.8	37.8	563.0	471.6	
Dhanyaburi	29.5	43.9	509.4	564.9	
Samudprakar	17.5	39.2	768.9	540.4	
Krung Kao	96.1	128.1	697.4	592.6	
Angtong	107.1	25.5	980.8	647.6	
Loburi	120.1	80.5	733.7	541.2	
Jainart	94.5	71.8	817.8	644.1	
Udaldhani	52.0	17.1	836.7	584.3	
Banuloke	109.1	30.8	1224.1	656.1	
Xhaxengsao	No report	30.9		510.6	
Prachin	122.2	171.7	874.3	675.5	
Nagor Pathom	84.4	72.1	815.8	802.2	
Bejaburi	83.6	52.4	531.4	712.1	
Rajaburi	96.1	35.7	702.2	871.3	
Xiangmai	100.7	77.5	657.9	447.3	
Singora	17.7	13.0	520.7	262.8	

### Macedonian Fighting.

Paris, Aug. 20.—A very significant communique is issued from the Macedonian front showing that fighting is general on almost the whole line from Monastir to Kavalla. The Bulgarians are attacking everywhere except near Doiran, where the Anglo-French captured and hold the important position of Doldzeil village against most violent Bulgarian counter-attacks. Bulgarian patrols preceding small Bulgarian forces are approaching Kavalla. Elsewhere numerous Bulgarian attempts to advance were stopped by the Allied fire.

London, Aug. 20.—British Official. At Salonika we established a line west and north of Bekeril Cidemli and south of Doldzeil where we repulsed counter-attacks. Our cavalry is in touch with the enemy on the Struma front.

On the east bank of the Struma, the Bulgarians occupied the Greek forts Star-chista and Lisa, the Greeks retiring as they alleged after a collision with Bulgarian patrols. Bulgarian attacks on the west bank were repelled by our fire. There was lively cannonading on the west bank of the Vardar. Bulgarians advancing from Florina are engaged with the Serbs southward of Monastir.

The German communique claims the capture of Florina south of Monastir.

### Germans in Africa.

London, Aug. 18.—Official. Lord Crewe goes to the Education Board and becomes Lord-president of the Council. Mr. Henderson becomes Paymaster General and Labour Adviser. Lord Newton becomes assistant under-secretary for Foreign Affairs. There are no changes in the cabinet.

### The Economic Conference.

Paris, Aug. 17.—Mr. Runciman has arrived and conferred with M. Clementel regarding steps that can be taken by Britain and France to give effect to the resolutions of the Economic Conference. The Ministers are in perfect agreement on the points discussed.

### Some Political Changes.

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### A New British Loan.

New York, Aug. 17.—Official: The new British fifty million loan will be issued at 99 in the form of 5 per cent. gold notes, dated Sept. 1, maturing in two years but redeemable within a year at 101. The loan is secured by collateral securities valued at sixty millions.

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## General Botha.

Pretoria, Aug. 19.—General Botha in a communiqué says that things in East-Africa are going as well as possible. If we continue to assist General Smuts to the utmost he will be completely successful and the end of the campaign is in sight.

He pays a tribute to the enthusiastic and heartiest co-operation of the forces from the Union, from India, Europe and elsewhere, overcoming stupendous difficulties and hardships. He appeals to the Union to maintain an adequate flow of recruits and enable General Smuts to crush the enemy swiftly and decisively and free the South African troops to assist their gallant comrades in Europe.

London, Aug. 20.—At a meeting at Johannesburg it was announced the Imperial Government strongly favours the establishment of the South African division for Flanders, but nothing can be done in the matter until the conclusion of the East African campaign.

## Effect of Russian Offensive.

Amsterdam, 3rd August. It is officially announced in Berlin and Vienna that the command of the armies on the Eastern Front has been re-arranged, in view of the Russian offensive, with the ascent of the Kaiser, who is at present on the Eastern Front. Marshal von Hindenburg is placed in command of the Austro-German allied armies which will be combined for uniform employment.

## Germanising Bohemia.

Copenhagen, July 14.—A Berlin telegram states that the German and Austrian Governments are already discussing the question of the Government of Poland after the war, which question, declares the Berliner Politische Nachrichten, is one of the most difficult after-war problems that has to be faced, as Austria and Germany are both highly interested in Poland's future administration.

From Vienna it is reported that the President for the district of Prague has announced that the German language will hereafter be the only language permitted in the judicial courts in Bohemia, where hitherto the Czech language has been permitted in the administration of justice. The Berliner Zeitung says that this new mandate is a step towards establishing German as the official language for all Austrian authorities.

## Dutch War News.

Captain Lubeke and Engineer Voltz of the s.s. Preussen recently sentenced to one year's imprisonment for erecting a wireless apparatus on that vessel at Sabang have been taken by a Dutch warship to Semarang to serve their sentence. The German Government having petitioned the Dutch Government for their release, the documents concerning the trial are now being considered by the Netherlands Indies Council of Justice, says the "Gazette de Hollande."

A Hague message states that reports from Batavia confirm the sentences passed by the Supreme Court of Justice of the Dutch Indies on two German sailors of one year's imprisonment for endangering Dutch neutrality. The two sailors were stationed on the Hamburg-America liner Preussen, interned in Sabang harbour, Island of Sumatra, and they had established on the ship a secret wireless station through which they communicated to the raider Emden and indicated ships to be sunk. They helped the raider to escape the British cruisers which were hunting her. There is no appeal from the judgment.

The German steamers Rosarland and Eduard Martini, which had been taking refuge at Rotterdam, since the outbreak of war recently put to sea. Subsequently the Eduard Martini returned through a breakdown in her machinery.

A deputation of ship owners, consisting of Heeren Dirkzwager and John Den Dulk of Schiedamschen, and Heer Mich Parkvliet of Katwijk, Holland, have visited England in order to negotiate for the release of Dutch fishing boats detained at Kirkwall and Lerwick. There are fifty in British ports.

Senator Berger recently stated that the French army were now in possession of heavy guns of 12 to 15 inch calibre and that to these recent French successes could be mainly attributed.

The Swiss Police recently unearthed a new German Espionage Bureau at Locarno. The spies were recruited from the inhabitants of Tessin (Swiss Italian Canton). The Bureau had extended its ramifications almost to the heart of Italy. The Police have arrested several Tessinos who have been domiciled at Locarno.

## Roumania and Bulgaria.

Bucharest, July 13.—Bulgaria continues to adopt a policy of pinpricks towards Roumania on the frontier. This attitude has caused a very unfavourable impression in Roumania, and all transit traffic with Bulgaria has been suspended.

## Bangkok Library Association.

The following new books have been received at the Bangkok Library.

Albanesi, Madame.—The Sunlit Hills.  
Annesley, Maude.—Blind Understanding.  
Barnes, J. D.—These Lynn Kers.  
Barnington, George.—Ladage's Letters.  
Buchan, John.—Thirty-nine Steps.  
Bern, Irene.—Border Line.  
Barnett, F. Holson.—Lost Prince.  
The Deeping, Warwick.—Forest.  
Dell, Ethel M.—Bars of Iron.  
George, W. L.—Stranger's Wedding.

Haggard, Rider.—Ivory Child.  
Hay, Ian.—Pip.  
Hay, Ian.—Happy-go-lucky.  
Hutten, Barness von.—Bird's Foot.

James, Winifred.—Woman in the Wilderness.  
Jesse, F. Tennyson.—Beggars on Horseback.

Kelly, W. P.—Harring on St. Mystery.  
Lyons, A. Neil.—Moby Lane & Theories.  
Mann, Mary E.—When a man marries.  
Maxwell, H.—Quittance.

Montgomery, L. H.—Ann of the Islands.  
Neill, A. S.—Dominic's Dog.

Orezy, Broness.—Bronze Eagle.  
Penny, Mrs.—Love by an Indian.

Pleydell, George.—Ware Case.  
Reynolds, Mrs. Billie.—Daughter.

Richardson, Dorothy.—Painted Rocks.  
Sedgwick, Mrs. Alfred.—Mr. Brown and his Brother.

Silberdell, Una.—Mystery of Bernard Hanson.  
Sinclair, May.—Tucker Jevens.

Smith, Sheila Kaye.—Sussex Gorse.  
Tolstoy.—Anne Karenina.

Walpole, Hugh.—Dark Forest.  
Webster, Jean.—Dear Enemy.

Wiggin, Kate D.—Penelope's Pass.  
Wyllarde, Dolf.—Exile.

Young, F. E. Mills.—Myles Calthorpe.  
—Purple Mists.

Generals Works.  
Adlerley, Canon.—St. Anne's Society.

Leahy, Harold.—Queen's Net.  
Brook, Penelope.—Prussian Memories.

Cable, Boyd.—Between the Lines.

Capper, Alfred.—Random Reflections and Reminiscences.  
Earle, Mrs. C. W.—Memoirs and Memories.

Fowler and Trenchard.—Travels in the Middle East.  
Gorki, Maxim.—My Childhood.

London, Mrs. Jack.—Voyaging in Wild Seas.  
Macgill, Patrick.—Red Horizon.

O'Reilly, Max.—John Bull and his Island.  
O'Reilly, Max.—Jonathan and his Con-  
—tent.

Palmer, Frederick.—My Year of the War.  
Pooley, A. M.—Secret Memories of Count Hayashi.

Richie, Loly.—From the Porch.  
Saffell, Loly.—My Memories.  
Whitney, Richard.—My Harvest.

## A Golfing Poet.

There are poets among the golfers of Kobe. The Kobe Golf Club recently had a "Tombstone" Competition. Each competitor played a certain number of strokes according to the handicap and played a tombstone with an epitaph when he had completed his allotted number. There were 19 entries, Mr. J. B. Arthur proving the winner, having completed the 18th hole with a stroke in hand. The Ladies Committee of the Golf Club kindly presented a prize for the best epitaph. Of some twenty epitaphs written, Mr. O. White was a judge of the winner with the following lines:—

Tread lightly, somewhere near  
Laid her dead,  
I pray she did not hear  
The thin s-l said.  
Life's here, full heavily doth press,  
On many a hapless wight;  
My trouble is, I cannot but confess,  
My ban has been too slight.

## Notice.

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## Rainfall.

We have received the following telegraphic reports of rainfall from the Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Lands and Agriculture:

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At Krung Kao	Aug. 24	3.5 mm.	
" Angtong	" 24	2.2 "	
" Singburi	" 24	1.3 "	
MONDOL NAGOR JAISRI.			
At Smudssagor	Aug. 23	4.8 "	
MONDOL PRACHIN.			
At Khaxongao	Aug. 24	15.0 "	
" Prachinburi	" 24	41.1 "	
" Nagor Nayok	" 24	105.0 "	
" Krabindaburi	" 24	7.0 "	
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At Nagor Svarga	Aug. 24	19.4 "	
" Jainad	" 24	20.2 "	

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