Heavy Loss In Naval Battle

Five Thousand Men on British Ships and 3000 on German Side Went Down in the Fight in North Sea---British Have Eight German Warships Bottled Up in Danish Port---Losses of Germans Greater Than at First Reported.

**BRITISH DREAMDOWHTS WERE NOT SUNK BY THE GERMANS**


The Hook, Holland, via London, June 3; 10:40 a.m.---One of the few survivors, Midshipman Stolzmann, and he believed he and his companions were brought here were the only men to escape. He reports that his ship was fighting from six o'clock in the evening until one o'clock in the morning when she struck a mine.

Other survivors say the British were hopelessly outnumbered by the Germans who had laid almost all their dreadnoughts in action and thought the British were easy prey. Suddenly the British grand fleet came up and the Germans made a running fight of it.

London, June 3, 11:42 p.m.---The German admiral admits the loss of the dreadnought Westfalen, according to a wireless dispatch received here today from Berlin.

The Westfalen, with a displacement of 18,602 tons, was 495 feet long, 85 feet beam and 28 feet deep. She carried a compliment of 1006 men. The Westfalen was equipped with twelve 11-inch guns, twelve 5.9-inch guns and a number of pieces of smaller caliber. She was also fitted with six 16-inch torpedo tubes. Her speed was 20 knots. The Westfalen was built in 1909 at a cost of approximately $100,000,000.

London, June 3, 1:51 p.m.---An official statement given out today shows that with a few exceptions all the officers on the Invincible, Queen Mary, Indestructible, Defence and Black Prince were lost. All the officers of the Warrorm except one were saved.

London, June 3, 2:32 p.m.---An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen says the German torpedo boat V-28 was sunk during the naval engagement. Three survivors, who were rescued from a raft by a Swedish steamship, reported the dispatch says, that all but one of the crew of the V-28 were lost. According to this statement the survivors of the V-28 said they believed twenty German torpedo boats were destroyed and that the German losses were all "colossal."

London, June 3, 10:30 a.m.---A report from The Hague, as forwarded from Amsterdam to the Central News, says no German destroyers were sunk by the British and that a large cruiser severely damaged was towed into the harbor at Kiel. It is estimated 150 ships were engaged in the battle.

Preliminary details of the great naval battle that ended this morning in the North Sea are not yet available. The naval engagement took place near Boulogne, in French waters and Gneisenau, a German battleship was reported to have been sunk.

**FORCED GERMANS TO TURN HOME**

British Admiralty Claims Inferior Force Engaged Enemy Four Days Ago in Their Own Waters.

London, June 2, 8:60 p.m.---The latest statement issued today by the Admiralty claims that the British fleet was engaged by the enemy in the English Channel and was forced to turn home by German naval forces.

It is understood that the British fleet engaged the German fleet in the Channel and was forced to turn home.

**HEAD OF ILL-FATED PLUNKETT FAMILY**

Curtis Plunkett, head of the ill-fated Plunkett family, in a wireless message to his family in this city today, said he was very sad to hear of the death of his wife and children.

"I deeply regret the loss of my dear wife and children," he said. "I have always been proud of them and I will always remember them with fondness."

"I have been through a lot in my life, but this is the worst. I will never forget the good times we had together."

--Punch

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