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VON TIRPITZ ADMITS WEAKNESS OF NAVAL FORCES OF GERMANY

In Remarkable Interview Commander of Fleet Says That to Fight British Means Destruction.

Rotterdam, Dec. 28.—A remarkable interview with Admiral Von Tirpitz has just been received here. It is said to have been given to an American journalist and in it the head of the German navy is reported as saying that the length of the war depended entirely upon Britain. Von Tirpitz also confessed the weakness of the German fleet, for when asked when it would come out and attack the British fleet he is said to have replied:

"You cannot expect that our fleet, which numbers one-third of the British fleet, will come out and allow the British fleet to deliver its death blow."

The interviewer suggested that an attack by Zeppelins might be prepared, and the admiral is represented as answering:

"I believe that a war of submarines against British merchant ships will have more effect than that."

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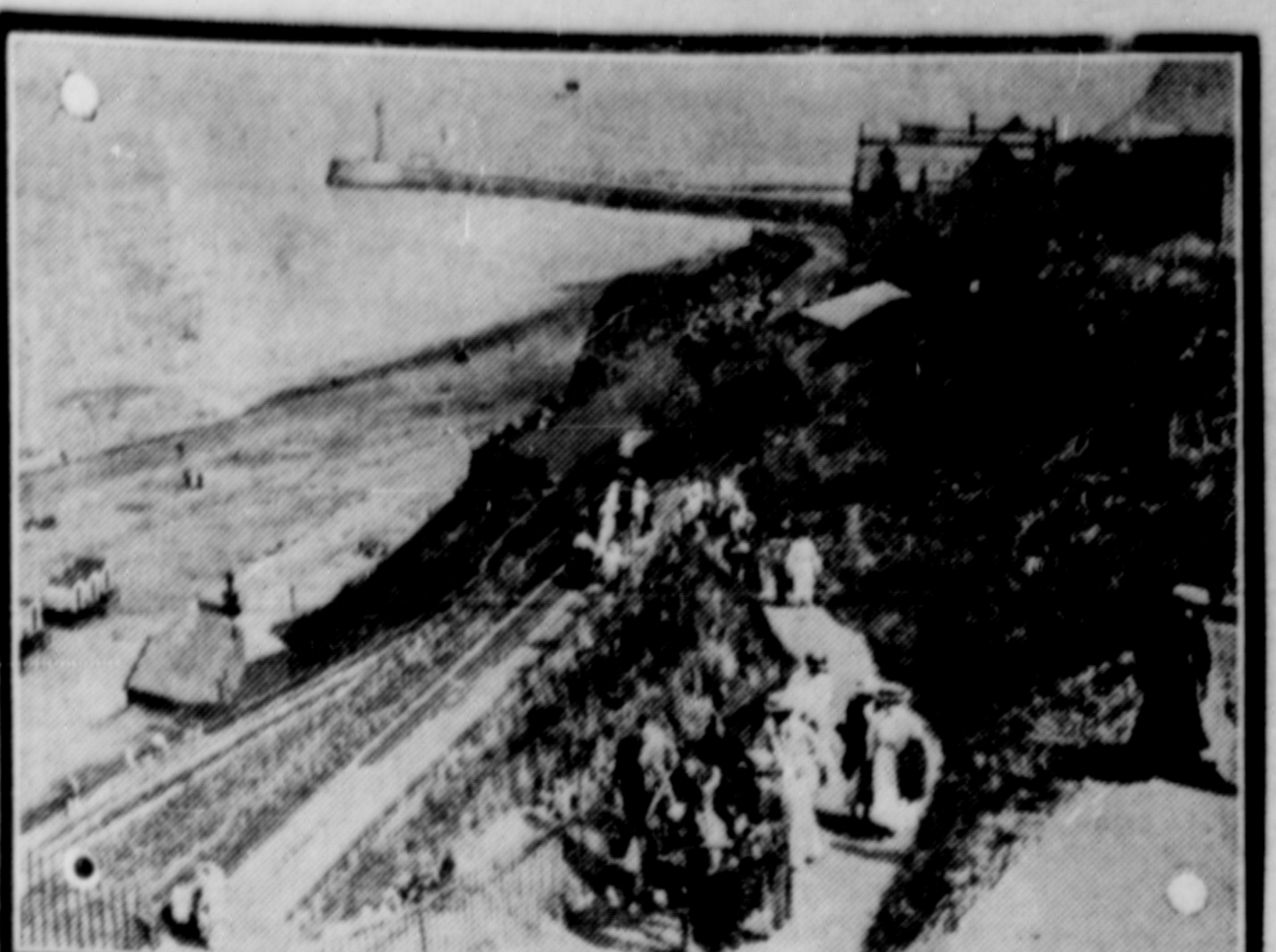
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WHITBY HARBOR AND PIER.—Whitby, which experienced fire from German cruisers recently, is a watering place of 12,000 inhabitants on the east coast of England at the mouth of the Esk.

BASIS OF UNION ARRANGED BETWEEN CANADIAN CHURCHES

NEW CHURCH WILL HAVE ALL STRONG POINTS OF THE DIFFERENT BODIES—"PRESBYTERY" AND "ELDER" REMAIN AS LANDMARKS.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—"I have been a member of the Church Union Committee since its inception, and I have never attended a meeting at which a finer, more hopeful and enthusiastic spirit prevailed than that which pervaded the three sessions of the joint committee today. There has been nothing brighter in my recollection in the history of the whole Church."

In these words a prominent Presbyterian divine summed up the meetings of the Interdenominational Committee on Church Union, which met in three sessions at Bond Street Congregational Church. "A congenial and harmonious meeting," was a Methodist member's description.

Various Views Presented.

Nearly all of the 150 members were present at the morning session. Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D., was elected to the chair. The first speaker was Rev. J. A. Clark, D.D., of Montreal, who presented the case for the Presbyterian Church, as authorized by the General Assembly. Rev. Dr. Chown stated the Methodist position, and Rev. Dr. Warriner spoke for the Congregational Church.

After the representatives of the various Churches had presented their cases, Rev. Dr. Sedgwick read a long statement setting forth the views of the anti-unionists. Rev. Dr. G. M. Milligan replied to the arguments set forth by Dr. Sedgwick.

"United Church of Canada."

The highest point of interest was reached when Rev. Dr. Chown rose and moved, seconded by Dr. Bryce, that the name of the new Church should be "The United Church of Canada." This motion was carried without one dissenting vote. This subject occupied the whole of the morning session, and in all eight different names were suggested.

Names for Church Courts.

The afternoon session considered and decided upon the names of the courts of the new Church, which were finally fixed as follows: "The General Council," being an assembly of the whole Church every two years; "The Conference," the annual meeting corresponding with the Methodist Synods; "The Presbyterian Synods;" "The Session," for spiritual oversight; "The Committee of Stewards," for temporal oversight. "The Official Board" is to be a combination of the two first courts, with representatives from the various organizations in the Church.

One Compromise Necessary.

There was no acute discussion over theological points; the debates were chiefly concerned with verbal changes. At one point it appeared that an irreconcilable conflict might arise between the authority of the Presbytery and that of the Settlement Committee in the station-

LOOKS FOR FURTHER RAIDS ON THE COAST

Lord Derby Believes Germans Will Succeed in Landing Troops in England.

London, Dec. 28.—For some days the German advance in Poland has been watched with anxiety. London and Paris fear lest Von Hindenburg be able to pursue his success against the Russians. If he broke the Russian line at Opoczno or elsewhere, the position of the Russian armies in Galicia, with 170,000 foes debouching upon them through the Carpathians might become critical. The Times, in an editorial, says Von Hindenburg has now made the Russian invasion of Silesia and the fall of Cracow more remote.

Meanwhile, as the Daily News says, the tug of war in the west goes steadily against Germany. Hungary is becoming insurgent and popular feeling in Bohemia is so increasingly anti-German that it is found impossible to prevent the soldiers from expressing their feeling, even in songs. The Daily News also regards the demonstrations all over Italy as most disquieting for Berlin though, if Italy intervenes on the side of the Allies it is not likely to be until spring has made the passes practicable for warfare. The Morning Post seems to believe that German desperation will lead the German navy to attempt something against England. This is also the view of Lord Derby, who speaking in Lancashire, said:

"This raid on Scarborough will not be the last. I go further. I believe Germany will be able to land troops on the English shores. (Shouts of "No, never.") Will they ever get back? (Cheers.) But that is what they may do, and if so, you will see exactly the same horrors in this country as in Belgium. Two years ago Prince Henry of Prussia, the Kaiser's brother, the head of the German navy, visited, as a guest, this very Scarborough and examined the harbor. Yet, knowing it defenceless, the Germany navy was sent to shell it. (Loud cries of "Shame!")"

Antis in Great Minority.

The anti-union section was a very small percentage on a committee of 150. When Dr. Sedgwick rose to make his statement along with the representatives of the various churches, the chairman asked him did he represent the Presbyterian Church.

"No," replied Dr. Sedgwick.

"Well, I want to know what the Presbyterian Church says."

Silence prevailed when the leader of the anti-unionists finished his speech, and when Dr. Milligan had replied the committee ignored the subject and went on with its business.

Protest of the Antis.

The lengthy statement of the anti-union position was, said Dr. Sedgwick, signed by fourteen members of the Union Committee of the Presbyterian Church. After a recapitulation of previous arguments against union, the statement protested against "the introduction of such a subject at the present crisis. When the Union Committee of the Scottish Assemblies have suspended all negotiations during the war, when all parties in Church and State, throughout the Empire, are by common consent dropping all contentious matters; is it fitting that the Church of Christ in Canada should be the one exception and that there should be thrust into the life of her people at such a time a question which can only result in alienation and strife?"

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