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From the War

The steamer *Maloja*, which belongs to the Peninsular and Oriental line, was sunk by a mine last Sunday in the English Channel. There were 420 people onboard and only 260 were saved. Among them were 55 passengers and the rest employees of Lascars. The boat was on its way from England to Bombay.

It is now the tenth day since the Germans started the massive offensive at the West front with Verdun as the first and closest goal and Paris as the last goal. The fighting has been fierce and whole regiments have been reduced. A small fortress, Donaumont, is already in the hands of the Germans. Verdun is one of the strongest fortresses in France and its occupation was a big victory for the army of the Emperor.