BRITAIN TO DEFEND FRENCH COAST AGAINST GERMAN ATTACK

Sir Edward Grey Says Such an Assurance Has Been Given.

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BRITAIN'S NAVY WILL PROTECT THE COAST LINE OF FRANCE

Frank Statement in the Commons Regarding Britain's Obligations is Cheered by All Parties - Redmond Pledges a United Ireland in Defence of the Empire - The Understanding With France is Explained

In the course of a speech in the British House of Commons yesterday, Sir Edward Grey, Minister for Foreign Affairs, said that the government had given the assurance to the French Ambassador that if the German fleet should attempt to enter the English Channel, the British fleet would give all possible assistance to the French fleet in the event of such an attack. The assurance was given in response to a request from the French government, and it is understood that the French government has also given an assurance to the British government in the event of war.

GREAT POLISH CITIES TAKEN BY GERMANS

Three of Them Occupied After Little Fighting

In accordance with the general plan of the German government, the capture of three major Polish cities - Lublin, Jaroslaw, and Bialystok - was carried out by the German forces. The cities were taken by a surprise attack, and the fighting was minimal. The German forces were able to establish control over the cities relatively quickly.

BELGIUM AN ENEMY IF SHE RESISTS

"Friendly Neutrality" is the Demand of Germany

After the German invasion of Belgium, the German government demanded "friendly neutrality" from the country. This means that Belgium would remain neutral and not support either side in the war. The German demand was met with resistance from the Belgian government, leading to tensions between the two countries.

WAR SUMMARY

BRITAIN LINES UP beside France, and will use her fleet to protect the French coast from attack by the German navy. That is the strong, great, and authoritative assurance given by Sir Edward Grey, Minister for Foreign Affairs, in his statement in the House of Commons. He declared, amid the cheers of the members of all parties, that Britain had given an engagement to the French Ambassador that if the German fleet should attempt to enter the English Channel or the North Sea to attack French shipping or the French coast, the British fleet will give all the protection in its power.

THE SECOND GREAT FEATURE of the day's news is that Belgium has protested strongly against the decision of Germany to violate her neutrality by attacking France through Belgian territory. Here against Britain's move, Sir Edward Grey said, as one of the guarantors of Belgium's independence. Sir Edward Grey stated that, while Britain had made an engagement to assist in case of a German invasion of Belgium, her responsibility was not to extend to the violation of the neutrality of Belgium.

A VERY STRONG BID for British neutrality was made by the German Reichstag. Mr. Bismarck, in a speech in the House of Commons, declared that Britain's neutrality would be of the utmost importance. He said that Britain must not allow her neutrality to be violated by the action of Germany.

BELGIUM PROTECTS SMALL SHIPS FROM GERMANS

Will Protect Shippers of Foodstuffs Here

British guarantees of the safety of small ships, according to Mr. Bismarck, would be of the utmost importance. He said that Britain must not allow her neutrality to be violated by the action of Germany.

DOMINION GOVERNMENT READY TO AID BANKS

If Necessary, Will Issue Notes Against Their Securities - Authorizes Them to Pay in Bank Notes Instead of Gold - Issue Excess Circulation

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OTTAWA, Aug. 4 - Having regard to the world-wide financial crisis occasioned by the war in Europe, and in view of the action of the Imperial Government in concerning the financial and commercial interests of the Dominion and the Bank of England, the Dominion Government has authorized the Governor-General in Council to issue Dominion notes against the securities of the Dominion banks, and to authorize the banks to pay in Dominion notes instead of gold in payment of their liabilities.

THE WEATHER

Predominantly Fine and Cold

The weather was fine and cold throughout the day, with a strong wind blowing from the north. The temperature was below freezing, with a strong wind blowing from the north. The temperature was below freezing, with a strong wind blowing from the north.