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The "Flag of Misery" over Lassaken.


Special dispatch to L'Information, Paris.
News came from Amsterdam.

"A few days ago there was displayed from the belfry of
Lassaken the "hunger flag" (de noodvlag) and the tocsill was sounded
to let the surrounding country know that the city was dying of hunger.
There was no-thing more to eat anywhere; no bread, no potatoes, not
one of the absolutely necessary foods. Measures were taken at once to
relieve this town - but who can tell how many hunger flags will fly
from towns oppressed by the Boche!"

Also (personal information) a friend of mine has just returned
from Paris! There he met a man who was in a German camp for prisoners
and saw with his own eyes Russian prisoners crawling in the ground with
their fingers for worms to eat. No one sends these poor creatures any-
thing and the Germans don't feed them any more than they can help.