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The Sea War.

British Methods.

Bargen, Oct. 21.—Survivors of the convoy state they left the Norwegian coast on Tuesday afternoon and were attacked at seven next morning. The Germans ordered the convoy to stop and started firing immediately, quickly sinking the destroyers which were far inferior in size and equipment. They then sank the merchantmen in succession. The whole affair lasted an hour. The steamer convoy succeeded in launching lifeboats but several filled in the heavy sea. Survivors reached Norway after two days suffering in the

Christiania, Oct. 21.—Thirty-seven of the crews of the Norwegian and Swedish ships were rescued in the action in the North Sea. It is known that seventeen Norwegian-, seventeen Swedes and eight-six Englishmen perished in the action, but the number is probably greater. The victims include three women.

Hunting Submarines.

London, Oct. 21.—The following stirring incidents are taken from Admiralty records and give a further glimpse of the methods and daring employed in tackling submarinism.

A patrolling air vess-l sighted a steamer which had been torpedoed but was capable of being towed to harbour. The airship wirelessed for the necessary assistance and hovered as protector until the arrival of tugs. Subsequently she sighted the conning tower of a submarine in the neighbourhood of the convey, apparently manoeuvring for another shot. The airship instantly wirelessed the position of the submarine to the warships in the vicinity and swooped down to attack the enemy. The latter attempted to drive but too late and received the effects of two bombs. A violent explosion ensued, followed by ominous oil and air bubbles.

The same airship subsequently attacked another submarine with the desired results. A submarine taking advantage of bad weather, daringly attacked a convoyed steamer. The airship shot down and sped along the track of the torpedo at a speed of ninety miles an hour. At the end of the track she sighted the outline of a submerged submarine. The airship released bombs above the green cigar shaped shadow. An explosion was followed by a vast volume of air and airbnbbles.

A Berlin oiler was torpedoed in thick weather but not totally disabled, while accompanied by a patrolship. Later she searched the neighbourhood quickly and at length sighted what turned out to be a large submarine on

the surface. The patrol ship effective-

ly runmed and sank her. A lieutenant in the Naval Volunteer Reserve was commanding a motorlaunch attending a Flotilla of minesweeping trawlers when a drifting mine was sighted. A gale was blowing and attempts to sink the mine by gun-fire proved impossible. Darkness w re approaching when the mine would disappear so the officer lowered a boat and pulled as close to the mine as he dared and then jumped overboard and swam to the mine with a line which he passed through the ring bolt in the top. Thus the motor-launch was enabled too tow the engine of destruction into smooth water where it was sunk by rifle fire. It is pointed out that the ringbolt was only able to be reached with the utmost difficulty and a mistake like an inadvertent grab at one of the horns of the mine owing to the roughness of the sea would have finished off the officer.

Bruges Again. London, Oct. 21.—The Admiralty says naval aircraft on Friday night dropped large quantites of explosives on Bruges dock and Engel aerodrome. A fire broke out at the latter. All our

machines returned.

Trafalgar Day. London, Oct. 21.—Trafalgar day was celebrated in the customary fashion. The wreaths on the Nelson mounment included one from the Navy League in memory of the French fallen at Tra-

falgar. The Lord Chancellor, speaking at the Navy League luncheon paid a tribute to the services of Japan and the effort of America. He glowingly described the Navy, saying that Beatty's sailors fought as gallantly as Nelson's. He declared when we dictated terms of peace, the crews of German submarines and those in high places who gave them orders, should be treated as pirates. The dawn was already beginning to appear and we might look forward at no distant date to achieving a dur-

able peace. The Japanese Ambassador said that Japan had loyally fulfilled her obligations and was gradually extending her naval and miltary operations and today was actively engaged in certain positions of the European theatres. It was amusing to read how the Germans boasted of the success of submarines breaking down British maval supremacy. The German submarine was in itself an admission of British supremacy. The fighter who had hit below the belt was a defeated man.

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London, Oct. 18.—In the House of Commons Lord Robert Cecil stated that all official enemy institutions such as consulates and post offices had been closed in China; presumably therefore also in Shameen, although he had not heard definitely. The position regard. ing the banks and commercial houses in Shameen was not clear. He would! enquire of the British minister at Peking thereanent.

London, Oct. 18.—The Food Controller has ordered that no tea of classes A, B or C shall be sold at prices exceeding the prices permitted under ninety per cent of the tea control scheme. No other tea shall be sold after Oct. 31 at above 4s a pound. The food control committee may, subject to the directions of the food controller, vary such prices in Ireland or generally or in particular cases. When tea is delivered a charged not exceeding a halfpenny a pound may be added, or any

seller for carriage.
London, Oct. 18.—Silver is at 427/84.

report says the market tone is uneasy, buying orders are not plentiful and any daily overplus of supplies is heavily felt. Shanghai exchange is very much below parity, with silver both here and in America and whilst this is the case there is no important check to the dryrot which seems to have set in. A new feature is the disposition of America to sell here more freely with | he did. The Boche knows well what result of accentuating the uneasy tone. Last week's reference to thousands of tons of Mexican silver coin realised in New York was a slip for hundreds of

London, Oct. 19 .-- In the House of Commons, Mr. Parker stated that the shortage of tea was due to the restrictions of imports in the early months of the year. Lord Rhondda had now arranged with the Shipping Controller for adequate imports, and he hoped that the situation would improve towards the end of the year. The arrangement would mean that all imports would be made on behalf of the Government, prices and profits being controlled at all the stages. Steps were being taken to secure the adequate distribution of

supplies.
London, Oct. 20.—The "Times" states that the prices of cocoa have risen considerably on an increased demand as a tea substitute. Good Ceylon plantation realised 81s. per cwt. compared with 83s, a few days ago, while the lower grades advanced in much higher proportion. For example, low grade Ceylon, wild variety, is now 55s.

compared with 35s. normally. Experts estimates that the present annual consumption of tea, exclusive of | Peace." the requirements of the forces, is

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London, Oct. 19.—It is officially stated that 36,416 thousand pounds of tea were bonded in the United Kingdom on September 30, as compared with 118,663 thousand on September 30 last year.

London, Oct. 19.-Silver is at 42 5/8d. without demand, the market being dull.

London, Oct. 20.-Silver is at 42 3/8d, the market dull.

"Les Turcs Ont Passe Par La."

On March 16th, 1917, Channy was a penny a pound may be added, or any reasonable sum actually paid by the seller for carriage.

London, Oct. 18.—Silver is at 427/81.

The market is flat.

London, Oct. 18.—Montagu's silver report says the market tone is uneasy. waste ground, heaped house-high with dust bin rubbish. The Germans had evacuated the quadrilateral salient Roye-Lassigny Noyon-Chauny. Nothing is more exasperating, says Mr. Laurence Jerrold, who tells the story of that evacuation in the Contemporary Review for August, than the jour-nalese "Hun." The Hun knew not what he does :

What he did at Chauny was this. Between March 16th and 18th last be ordered all the inhabitants into a western portion of the town—approximately one fifth of the town area-and kept them under guard day and night there, where several died of exposure in the cold night. M anwhile he blew up the other four fifths of the town with dynamite, house by house, stone by stone. When every building was a rubbish heap he poured petrol on the rubbish and lit it. Then he retired, to "strengthen the Hindenburg line."
And when he had retired a mile or two northwards from Chauny he shelled the inhabitants still cowering and shuddering in the still standing fifth of Chauny, and killed a score of them.

Channy is not alone. It is a ghostly drive, says the writer, across the freed country which the Germans had held since the Marne. Some towns still stand, like Koyon, which the French entered just in time to prevent it from sharing Chauny's fate. But the rest is silence and death. Let us remember this orgy of maniac destruction when the pacificists sing their siren song of "No Indemnities and a negotiated France, at least, will not for-

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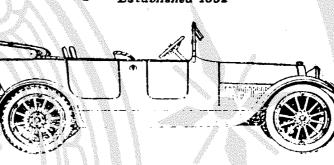
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To celebrate the Birthday of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, the Japanese Minister will be At Home on Wednesday, the 31st October, from 10 a. m. to 12 noon.

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Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Ltd.

Notice is hereby given that we have removed our Bangkok Office from New Road to the premises formerly occapied by the Siam Forest Co., Ltd. in Hongkong Bank Lane.



Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the bridge over Klong Prem in Sanghi Road will be closed to traffic from the 27th. October 1917, owing to repairs, and will remain closed to traffic until the repairs are completed.

(Signed) Phya Pracha Korakitirchara.

Director General. Local Sanitary Department.

> 26th. October 1917. 26-2 N·

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IN AID OF THE

Siam Expeditionary Force Fund.

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On Tuesday 30th October, 1917, at 8.30 p.m.

The following play will be staged in Siamese,

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Charoen Theatre, under the supervision of

Chang Wang Sorn Silapa Banleng.

The whole of the proceeds will be handed over to the Treasury for the

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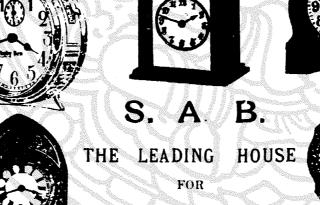
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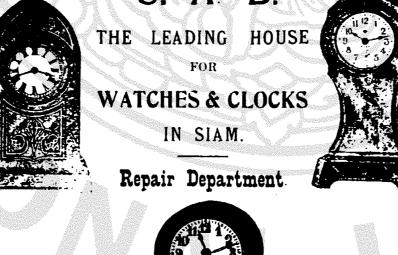
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The Siam Observer

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1917.

THE WEEK-END NEWS.

The week-end wires contain news that is most encouraging counterbalanced by that which is the reverse. To take the latter first, we learn with regret that the Italians have been forced to evacuate the Bainsizza Plateau which they seized some weeks back after heavy fighting and the loss of many men. This loss, however, should not give rise to feelings of apprehension. The Italians have been faced by practically the whole of the Austrian Army with heavy German reinforcements and the evacuation of the Plateau has been due solely to this tremendous pressure. The Italians throughout the war have fought with the nimosi bravery and they have been, and are, animated with that lofty spirit of determination that is bound to result in victory. The conditions under which they have fought in the snowy passes of the Trentino have been difficult in the extreme and the successes they have gained over the foe speak volumes for the high efficiency of the Army and the astonishing engineering skill that has been displayed. The illustrations in the Italian journals give a good idea of the almost insuperable difficulties that have been encountered and overcome by the military engineers. Roads have been constructed over the most rocky and seemingly impassable country, viaducts have been built over gullies and ravines and mountain streams and torrents have been bridged. With an army that can thus overcome the obstacles of nature, reverses can be but temporary and the world may rest assured that before long all the evacuated positions will be retaken and consolidated. Italy has yet hundreds of thousands of men to throw into the field and they are one and all imbued with that Roman spirit that sacrifices all to the cause of justice and patriotism. On the Western front the French have won brilliant successes. A large number of villages and fortified posts have been taken and thousands of prisoners have been made. It is evident that the Germans have more than met their match and, however much headway they may be able to make against the disorganised Russians, it is clear that they can make no progress against the Anglo-French armies. One of the things that most astonishes our barbarian foes is the rapidity with which a conquered terrain is organised by the genius of the French and British military engineers. The Germans, when they retreat, leave behind them a howling wilderness of desolation and yet, as though by magic, the Allies construct roads and railways, the villages are rebuilt and supplies are hurried up with a rapidity almost surpassing belief. The number of prisoners taken is also significant for it seems to Germans welcome capture to save, themselves from the horrors of the Allies' artillery tire and the hardships they injuries. have to endure from shortage of food and harsh treatment. The most welcome item of news, however, is that Brazil has declared war on Germany. This will be a serious blow to Germany for Brazil is a country of which to a very large amount of enemy capital has been invested. The Germans had large interests in the shipping industry and in the commercial life of the country. Like other States in Latin America, Brazil has had to suffer from the intrigues of the Germans who have used the country as a base from which disseminate their lying propaganda. Brazil has been doubtless influenced in her action by recent events in Argentina, but whatever the immediate cause of her declaration of war may be, the Brazilian Government

THE Dutch " State Gazette " contains a declaration that the Netherlands Government will remain absolutely neutral in the war between Siam and Germany and Austria-Hungary.

is to be congratulated on coming in on

the side of justice and civilisation.



Court Circular.

GRAND PALACE. Sunday, October 28.

By gracious command of His Majesty the King the marriage was celebra. ted to-day between His Serene Highness Prince Süb Sukhasvasti, son of His Royal Highness Prince Adisara, and Her Serene Highness Princess Udayabongs, daughtersof His late Royal Highness Prince Divakara.

At 5 p.m the marriage ceremony was personally conducted by the King, who poured lustral water upon the couple and annointed them and was graciously pleased to present to the bridegroom a gold badge bearing His Majesty's Cypher in enamel, to the bride a gold breech with His Majesty's full name in enamel and the Royal Crown in diamonds and to the couple jointly the gift of 2,000 bahts from the Privy

The couple signed the marriage register in the presence of the King, who afterwards affixed his own Signature

as witness. The following also signed the register: His Royal Highness Prince Adisara and l'rincess Divákara, Their Serene Highnesses Prince Pradibaddh, Prince Jajavalit, Their Excellencies Chao Phya Dharma Dhikarana, Deputy General Phya Râjavalabhâ, Lieute-nant-General Phya Deb Arjun, A. D. C., Second Grand Court Officer Phya Sri Kridakara, Second Grand Court Officer Phya Abhai Ranariddhi, Third Grand Court Officer Phya Anuraksha, Third Grand Court Officer Phya Udaya Dharma, Third Grand Chamberlain Phya Bibidh Aisarya, Third Grand Court Officer Phya Bachana Prijâ, Deputy Grand Chamberlain Phya Varasiddhi, First Court Officer Phra Sombati Baribar.

After the signing the register the oridegroom took formal leave of His Majesty and returned home to await the bride. The bride then retired from His Majesty's presence accompanied by her mother and His Excellency Phya Sri Kridákara, Assistant Marshal of the Court, drove in a Royal motor-car to the bridegroom's residence.

By inadvertance, Her Serene Highness Princess Vilaya Kañña was described in Court Circular of Friday last as "Lady-in-Waiting to Her Majesty the Queen Mother." The Princess is, of course, Her Majesty's niece and His Majesty's cousin.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE s.s. "Mata Hari" is expected to sail for Singapore to-morrow Tuesday 30th October, about noon.

THE Japanese Minister will be At Home on Wednesday the 31st inst. from 10 a.m. to 12 noon to celebrate the Birthday of H.M. The Emperor of Japan.

THE Post and Telegraph Department eports that Chiengmai line is in good order as far as Paknampo. Paknampo line is good as far as Ayudhya. Nongkhay and Roi Etch lines are interrupt. ed between Kaengkhoi and Nagor Rajasima. Other lines are all available.

PROFESSOR G. Bristow of St. Joseph's English College, Hongkong, who was formerly in the Oriental Store and Royal State Railways, Southern Line, Mechanical Department, has voluntarily joined the Hongkong Contingent for Active Service and is shortly leaving for England.

Two Chinese holding on to a capsiz. ed sampan were floating down river with the strong tide this taken is also significant for it seems to afternoon. Two steam launches, be evidence of the truth of the state- one owned by Nai Bhakdi Nart ment so often made lately that the and the other by the Harbour Department went to the rescue and hauled the unfortunate Chinese up and bar a severe shock they had sustained no

> LATEST Advts. Mitsui Bussan Kaisha Ltd., give notice that they have removed their office from New Road to the premises formerly occupied by the Siam Forest Coy. Ltd. in Hongkong Bank Lane. The Borneo Co. Ltd. and the Bombay Burmah Trading Coy. Ltd. have notices to consignees.

> A NOTICE in the "London Gazette" issued on 18th ult. announces the establishment of a Prize Court in Siam. According to the notice His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from His Majesty's Minister at Bangkok the text of a Law, dated July 20, which has been brought into force by a Royal Siamese Proclamation, dated July 22.- "London and China Express.'

THE exports from the United Kingdom to the Straits Settlements in the first half-year of 1917 were valued at £2,160,519, against £2,453,742 in 1916 and £1,739,090 two years ago; and to the Federated Malay States at £347,960. against £324,379 and £340,564 respectively. Articles imported from the Straits Settlements in the same period amounted to £8,529,851, against £8,-684,610 in 1916 and £9,620,991; and from the F. M. S. to £5,116,745 this year, against £2,517,008 last year, and £1,660,090 in the first half of 1915,

Extracts from the Gazette

Of the 28th Oct. 2460.

The uniform of the Palace Guards will in future be Khaki with other minor alterations.

On the 20th instant when His Majesty visited the King's College at Bang Kwang the following received the Ratanaborn order, 5th.

1. Luang Rajathamnithasa.
2. Mr. R. H. Brown and
3. Mr. H. B. Simpkins.

On the 24th instant His Majesty was pleased to raise Phys Supan Sombatti to the rank of Maha Amatya

The 73rd list of surnames contains 55 names bringing the total up to

The Minister of Communications notifies that there will be a Telegraph Office opened at Stul from the 1st November next.

H.E. Phya Prasiddhi chief of the Mahadlek Department notifies that the eum of Ticals 5,079,50 subscribed by various officials and presented to His Majesty on the occacion of the last Royal Birthday has by the Royal directions been made a ffund for the purposes of the Mahadlek School.

A Company has been registered with a capital of Tcs. 65,000 in ten tical shares for the purpose of cultivating cotton, rice, coffee, castor and other products. The promoters are Messrs. A. H. Donaldson, J. R. Brooks, V. Gronemann, C. L. Groundwater, R. A. Moore, F. H. L. Perl and R. H. Chubb.

T. R. H. Princes Bhanurangei and Nares have given the Red Cross Tcs. 200 and 100 respectively in memory of of His late Majesty and the Supreme Patriarch has given the sum of Tcs. 3,364 on the occasion of his 58th birthday.

The Phra Nang Chow Phra Raja Devi has given Tcs. 800 to the Wang Lang Hospital.

R. B. S. C. Griffins.

The R. B. S. C. Griffins will probably arrive here on Wednesday on the se. Katong. Due notice will be sent to owners, so that they may send their

syces down to help take delivery.
Should the stables be flooded (as seems likely) owners will be asked to stable horses for a day or two until they are vetted and drawn for.

S. Mary's Mission.

It has been found to be advisable to postpone the Sale of Work which was to have taken place at the Mission on Tuesday, November 19. It will probably be fixed for a date about the middle or end of January. Mrs. Simmons wishes it to be known that she hopes to finish off all goods that have been ordered, and that she will be pleased to receive and execute any further orders. Also, anyone wishing to make private purchases can do so by enquiring at the Mission.

Sports Club Billiards,

1st heat to finish Nov. 4th 2nd heat to finish Nov. 18th

The following handicaps have been drawn :— 1 Bye Dit Bunuag " N. Sutton 3 ,, F. Weston Taylor ,, 50 Luang Chao ., 30 5 ., T. H. Pollard " E. Wyon Smith " R. E. Bryant Scratch W. A. Graham " R. C. R. Wilson 10 ,, Jas. Hick J. King 11 12 , H.O. Saunders A. E. Stiven Scratch O. C. Christensen + 20 15 F. H. L. Perl S. Brighouse Scratch M.T. Cooke-Collis + 25 18 Phra Anurake 19 K. O. Larsen 20 H. Bagger 21 Bye C. J. Hewitt Scratch 22 , M.A. B. Duncan + 10 " Nai Riem 24 " D. L. Perrins 25 " H. E. Jones " H. E. Jones D. B. Robertson , 30 " E. S. Wooller 28 " G. B. Labrum 29 " J. F. Tilaka 30 ,, Dr. G. G. Butler ,, 50 " R. H. Steele "J. H. McDonald " 33 , A. W. Osborne

" R. M. McCrone

Harry MacDonald ,, 50

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Warrior Cup Football. Royal Naval College vs. Royal Special Regiment,

The steady drizzle which started at 3.30 on Saturday afternoon kept on till late in the evening and prevented many from witnessing a good game of football. The ground was as usual very muddy and the neighbouring klongs seem to be rising higher every day. It was very thoughtful of those responsible to place raised planks in order that spectators could get to their seats without having to go ankle deep in mud. The responsible officials while paying due regard to the comfort of the spectators should also make up their minds to turn out a good football ground to stand the rain better. If for instance the ground is dug out to about a foot deep and gravel laid over it with turf, so that the height of the ground would stand about six inches higher than the level round it, the rain water would flow out and keep the ground in a better state than now. The players seem to get more used to the ground se evidenced by the number of goals scored on Saturday. The Navy who were victors got 4 goals while their opponents had 3.

From the kick off at 4.25 the Navy pressed hard and as a result were awarded three corners but they were unable to score until five minutes had passed when they were given a free kick. The Specials soon equalized and following this put in two shots which were well saved by the Navy custodian. Boon Raut of the Specials had to be checked often for fouling and the Referee, Phya Ovad, awarded the Navy a penalty kick which went wide. Just before half time, the Navy brought up and the Specials goal keeper saved once but most of the Specials seemed to be under the impression that their oponents were off side, although the referee did not blow the whistle, and as a result of this false impression the Navs were able to score their second

The Navy five minutes after resuming play put in their third goal and very shortly after the inner right of the Specials scored the best goal of the day. It was a distant shot and very well taken. The fourth goal for the Navy was brought off by a penalty which was awarded them owing to a Specials' full back fouling in the penalty area. The Specials scored their third goal after a long scramble opposite Navy goal.

The Railways.

H. R. H. the Commissioner General Royal State Railways informs us that through communication with the South is now re-established and normal trains will be running as usual.

Through communication with the North may be obtained by transfer by boat between Mab Phra Chan and Phra Keo, only hand luggage being allowed on the boats. Should the passengers wish to convey heavy personal luggage they are advised to take the connection by Mr. Sanderson's boat from Ayndhya to Lopburi.

It is regretted that owing to another rise in the Gangkoi and Nong Nam Khoon Districts communication with Sung Noen is again cut off. Trains on that line will only run to Pak Diong.

We have received the following from the office of the Traffic Superintendent:

For the convenience of the public the Royal State Railways have from the 29th inst., arranged on the Korat Line, ferries to transport passengers between Ban M. Phra Chan and Phra Koo on which section, on account of the flood the line has not been restored for passenger traffic.

At present therefore, passengers, intending to travel between Bangkok and Pak Djong can conveniently avail themselves of the above terries provided these from Bangkok leave by the 7 a.m. train and these from Pak Djong by the 8.30 a.m. train.

Passengers are reminded to take with them only hand baggage and small bundles which they can carry them-

Passengers with heavy luggage, travelling to Lopburi and further North, are requested to tranship into Nai K. S.'s boat at Ayudhya and re-

entrain at Lopburi.

29th October 1917. TRUE to his old love, General Petain has struck his first blow as Commander-in-Chief in the scene of his triumph last year when he saved Verdnn for France, says The Observer. The town is in ruins, and except in the casemates of Vauban's citadel it would be hard to find a house with a roof; but that matters not. Verdun will be rebuilt. What does matter is that, like Belfort in 1871, Verdun remains a virgin fortress, unconquered and un-conquerable. This is the work of Pétain and his brave troops, who covered themselves with imperishable glory which can only come to men whose cause is good and whose hands are clean. On ne passera pas. They are Pétain's words and they are written in large letters on the wall of the officers' mess in Verdun citadel, where they will remain for all time as a proud

souvenir of a glorious siege.

THE

Great War.

Brazil Declares War.

(RBUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, Oct. 27. Brazil has declared war on Germany.

Anglo-French Attacks.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, Oct. 27.

Field-Marshal Haig reports :- The Anglo-French launched attacks at 5.45 o'clock this morning eastward, north'eastward and northward of Ypres making satisfactory progress. It rained heavily during the latter part of the night and the rain is still continuing.

Italian Reports.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Oct. 27. Italian Official :- Powerful enemy forces continued the offensive on ons left wing on the Julian front. We have withdrawn on our boundary line between Mont Maggiore and westward of Auzza and have provided for the evacuation of the Bameizza

London, Oct. 28, Italian Official : -- After crossing the boundary line between Monte Couin and the head of the Judrio valley, the enemy attempted to reach the opening on the plains. The hostile effort on the Carso is increasing. We repulsed a strong offensive thrust.

Russian Report.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.

London, Oct. 28.

Wireless Russian Official .-- Enemy squadrons bombarded the Ainazhi sector. Salismunde and the souther coast of Kuno Island.

The Gravel Question.

("S. O. " SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, Oct. 29. In the Dutch Chamber the Foreign Minister said that the Government has strongly protested against Britain's scarcely friendly attempt to exercise pressure regarding the transit of gand and gravel but has protested without result. The Government has not received proof that the materials were destined for military purposes.

Sinn Fein Leaders Arrested.

"S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.) Singapore, Oct. 29. It is stated that the police are arresting Sinn Fein leaders throughout

Britain and Spain.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, Oct. 29. Great Britain has made representations to Spain regarding the recent escape of a German submarine.

She is confident that measures will be taken by Spain to prevent

Why Lie To Yourself?

Why lie the yourself? That is what we ask ourselves when the German Press announces that its Air Raid has bombarded the Fort of London. It knows that it has done something of which it ought to be ashamed. It would not offer such a lie, unless it was asham. ed of what has been done. Its only reason for telling it comes from its desire to hide from itself what has actually happened. Its conscience does not want to think of the maimed innocent women and children. So it lies. But, then, the lie is so transparent that everybody can see through it. It is inconceivable that it should believe it, itself. It is so poor a lie that it can only serve to reveal why it had to be told. Yet can it be worth while to call attention to your own twinge of conscience by offering an excuse which it is impossible for anyone to accept? Again and again the Germans have doled out these lies that declare them. selves false. They seem to get some strange satisfaction out of a falsehood that cannot pretend to be true even to the person who utters it—still less to anybody else.—(H. S. Holland, in The Commonwealth.)

Havas Telegrams.

Paris, Oct. 25. The new loan is limited to ten milliards of france at the rate of a per cent, perpetual and exempt from taxation.

On the Aisne front we have captured 70 cannon and 89 machine guns. We have reached the Ronaz Farm and captured there 500 prisoners; we brought down 25 aeroplanes.

M.M. Lenoir and Destouches, the former proprietors of the daily newspaper, "L. Journal" have been arrested for trading with the eneny.

The Austro-Germans, having prepared for some time to assume the offersive on the Italian front, attacked on a front of 39 kilometres between the slopes of Rombons and the south of the Bainsizza Plateau where they have taken possession of advanced posts. We resisted on the slopes of Monte Gabrielle and took more than a hundred prisoners. Paris, Oct. 26.

The Chamber has adopted an order of the day of confidence by 286 to

The Italian Chamber having rejected an order of the day of the Government, the Cabinet resigned.

We took possession of the forest and village of Pinon, 26 cannon and more than 2.000 prisoners. We have thus capture la total of 11,000 prisoners and 200 officers.

NOTE: - Pinon, mentioned above, is to the south of Anizy le Chateau, N.E. of Soissons.

In Belgium we made sensible progress and took possession of the village of Draaibank, Papagred Wood and numerous farme. We took about a hundred prisoners. The English, in conjunction with

the French, attacked in the region of Ypres and made favourable progress. The Italians were bent back from Monte Maggiore to the east of Auzza.

They have evacuated the Bainsizza Rio Janeira: - The President of the Republic of Brazil has demanded the

Congress to recognise a state of war with Germany. Paris, Oct. 27. The American contingents of infan-

try and artillery occupy a sector in the tirst line in conjunction with the French troops. The Parliament has voted on the

project of a loan. We have taken possession of Filain. We reached the border of the plateau to the north of the Chevrigny Ridge. In Belgium we took new trenches; we made progress in the region of Drai-

bank, taking prisoners.

Filain is a village to the south east of Laon on the Vailly-Laon road. The English progressed toward Yores and Roulers. They took positions to the east of Poelcapelle. They made 800 prisoners and progressed to the east of Passchendaele Enemy air ships bombarded Dunkerque. There

were about 30 victims. Italian Communique. The enemy has passed the frontier line in several

Madrid :- The Cabinet has resigned. Rio Janeiro: -- The President of Brazil has sanctioned the proclamation of a state of War with Germany. It has been ratified by Parliament.

Paris, Oct. 28 We continue to progress on the Belgian to the environs of Luyghin. The Belgians brought off a coup de main to the north of Dixmude and yesterday attacked in conjunction with the French.

The English have bettered their positions on the Ypres-Roulers Rail-

The Radical Congress has ended in adopting the declaration of the necessity of following the war vigorously to attain victory for France. The party considers how to annul the annexation of Alsace-Lorraine.

Ro Janiero:-When the Brazilian authorities wished to seize the German gun-boat "Eber" the crew set fire to her and sank her.

I wonder if after the War we shall see a return to the good old fashioned names that were wont to be bestowed upon English girls before Doris and Daphne and Gladys and Paula came into fashion. Arabella, for instance. There have been some famous Arabellas -Arabella Stuart, the beauty: Arabella Goddard, the pianist; and Arabella Kenealy, the novelist, to wit. But how often do you come upon the name of Arabella in a modern novel or a modern play, or among the ladies of the stage and the concert platform to-day? (Dagonet.)

MR. Gerard in an instalment of his book on his life in Berlin, says describing a visit to the Court: With each of us was a representative of the Emperor's household to introduce the people of the Court, and an Army officer to introduce the people of the Army. The officer assigned to me had the extraordinary name of der Pfortner von der Holle, which means the "porter of hell." I have often wondered since by what prophetic instinct he was sent to introduce me to the two years and a half of world war which I experienced in Berlin. This unfortunate officer, a most charming gentleman. was killed early in the war.

British Legation Telegrams.

London, Oct. 26.

This weeks operations included two attacks by the French and British in the Ypres Area. The first was on Oct. 22nd wherein the French operated south-ward of Houthulst forest, the British east-ward of Poelcapelle, Southward of the Ypres-Sed n railway the objective was reached and passed. Northward of the railway in view of very strong counter-attacks the full objectives were not reached. Except the recapture of one farm further counter-attacks failed to make any im-

pression and were held by our fire. A German statement that they captured orders showing the allied objectives to be two to two and a half kilometres behind the German lines is on absolute fabrication. The German General Staff even invented an attack at Ghellvelt some miles away which was described by the Germans as a victorious repulse

of an offensive which never existed. The second advance was on Oct. 26th when the British and French again jointly attacked east-ward, north eastward and north-ward of Ypres an I were satisfactorily progressing at the time of telegraphing, but heavy rain fell during the latter part of the night and is continuing. The French attacked between Driegrachten and Draaibank crossed the Saint Jansbock and cap tured the village of Draaib mk, Paper

goed woods and fortified farms. The attack on Oct. 22nd was really a minor affair but brought the British flank closer to the high ground at Passchendael and curther lessened the value of Houthulst, which is already an impossable swamp.

The heavy drain on German man power is due to the splendid British and Faench artillery. This is rea on for causing the enemy the greatest anxiety while signs of diminishing moral are revealed in the murdered German officers discovered by the advancing British.

British airmen dropped bombs on Vaarbuck railway works using five tons of bombs. A fleet of Zeppelins attempting to bomb London was compelled by the British barrage to ascend to an altitude where the forty-mile wind drove them from their cour-o over France where six were lost. Butish raids continue to seek military objectives wherefore their individual flights do not strike the imagination as do German raids on England the object whereof is as much to impress public opinion as for the chance of material damage. Undoubtedly a portion of friendly neutral opinion was impressed by their sensational nature and the apparent lack of adequate retaliation, but even the Germans after their last attempt must wonder whether the gain is worth the risk.

The French carried out a brilliant thrust in the Aisne region on October 23rd giving observation over Laon plain on a front of ten kilometres. They took over eleven thousand prisoners, one hundred and twenty gans, and much material and forced the Germans across the Oise-Aisne can'l whither they pursued them. The Germans destroyed farmsteads and orchards in their retreat in a similar manner to the occasion of the famous Somme retreat.

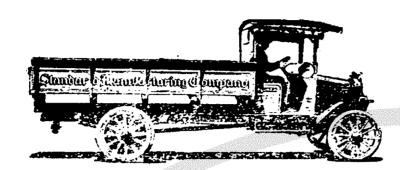
On the Italian front the Austrians much strengthened by German troops and material, launched a heavy attack between Gorizia and Plezzo but the Italian barrage neutralised this. The enemy crossed the Isonzo, at the Toltino bridge-heads whereby they necessitated the withdrawal of the Italian line at Montemaggiore to westward of Auzza in consequence whereof they were compelled to contemplate the evacuation of Bainsizzi Plateau, It is not believed that Cardorna will fail to maintain his hold on the region despite the thrust since this is the most difficult of all theatres where the Italians have all ranges marked to an inch and are likely to cause the Austro-Germans to pay heavily for the adventure.

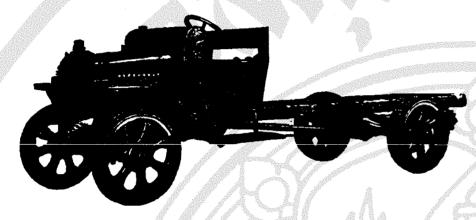
Rumania firmly defies every attempt to break through or lower her moral. Admirable resistance has been made to determine enemy attempts and the Rumanians show qualities of skill and endurance whereof they may well be proud. Their fighting qualities are brought out by such trials and hardships as might well have broken them. It is greatly to their credit to have contributed so notably to the Allied

East Africa: -British and Belgian forces have made appreciable progress. The Belgians drove the enemy southeast of Mahenje and are now in touch with British troops operating from the west. The British on Oct. 17th after severe fighting took Nyango and effected a junction on Oct. 18th with Nigerian troops to the northward.

In the Gulf of Riga the Germans failed to land troops at Pernan though two companies obtained a foothold in the l'eninsula of Werder. The Russian warship appeared trapped in the Gulf, but skilfelly succeeded in escaping. The Island of Moen was evacnated after all ships and other boats had been withdrawn. The Germans letween Pskoff road and the river Dvina have withdrawn fifteen miles, destroying buildings, bridges and roads at some points. Owing to the rapidity of this retreat he Russian patrols lost touch.







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Invasion of Esthonia.

The Russian Problem.*

London, Oct. 21.-Wireless German Official: We reached the east coast of Dago island, penetrating to the interior. The prisoners taken so far number several hundreds. We occupied Schildau island.

The Russian Naval forces left Moon Sound, proceeding in a northerly direction, abandoning the Slava and also other grounded vessels.

London, Oct. 22.-A Russian naval communiqué says the general situation in the Baltic isles on the nineteenth was as follows: The islands of Oessel and Moon were definitively in enemy hands. The operations of Dago were hampered by the marshes and also because the small garrison was merely defending the coast batteries. The naval base on Moon Sound including the bulk of warships, tugs, transports, etc. had been transferred most orderly to a safer point in the mouth of the Gulf of Finland, despite enemy opposition.

London, Oct. 21.-Wireless German Official. Dago island is in our hands. Helsingfors, Oct 22 .-- The crews of two Russian torpedoboats participating in the fight at Oesel have arrived. They declare the fighting lasted practically uninterruptedly from the twelfth to the seventeenth, one dreadnought and one cruiser being sunk, another wrecked, four torpedoboats sunk, and two disabled.

Grave Situation.

Petrograd, Oct. 21.—The papers unanimously call on the people to realise the gravity of the Riga events to the country. They declare that the fleet will defend the approaches to Petrograd to the last.

General Tcheremissof, in an order to the troops on the Northern front, denounces the agitators who are spreading rumours that the troops will desert the trenches on a given date.

M. Kerensky considers that the evacuation of Petrograd is in no wise urgent, and can be carried out gradual-

The "Bourse Gazette" understands that the Government will go to Moscow in the first fortnight in November. The removal of the factories, workshops and military school has begun.

Official: Our troops disregarded the enemy's signals to fraternise at Narotch

are among the Russian peace demands

London, Oct. 21.-Wireless Russian

which the Soldel delegate Skebeleff will press when attending the interalin d conference at Paris: A free and uninfluenced plebiscite as regards the future of Alsace-Lorraine; Italia Irredenta : Restoration of Belgium, Serbis, Montenegro with compensation from an international fund; Restitution to Germany of all her Colonies; Neutralisation of all straits leading to inner seas, including the Suez and Panama canals; Disarmament on the land and sea; Creation of a system of militia.

The Parliament.

Petrograd, Oct. 21.-The Preliminary Parliament opened at Marie Palace, attended by representatives of the bourgeois and democrats, members of the Government, Allied and neutral diplomats, Russian and foreign pressmen and the public. M. Kerensky, in a speech, said he hoped that the Parliament would assist Government to safeguard the rights of the constituent assembly the opening of which must in nowise be postponed. The Government would cooperate to the utmost in the work of the Parliament, which began at an extremely hard and responsible time. Government and Parliament must give attention to the most difficult problem of restoring the combativeness of the army and enabling it to repulse the enemy, who was becoming more insolent and more triumphant, not owing to his own strength, but to Russian impotence. M. Kerensky declared that Russia, if willing, could emerge from the painful situation much sooner than her enemies thought.

Amid universal cheers, M. Kerensky enthusiastically paid tribute to the valour of the Russian sailors and declared that he could not say as much for the army. Thereafter M. Kerensky, amid cheers, gave up the presidential chair to Madame Breshkovska, who invited the assembly to elect a President. M. Avksentieff President of the executive of the peasants delegates, was elected by a majority of 228.

M. Kerensky in his speech declared in the name of democracy that although longing for peace they would never capitulate to force. The difficulties of governing at present were most painful because they could not have recourse to measures outraging their ideas of equality and fraternity. He therefore appealed to all parties and peoples to end the terrible anarchy which more and more was invading the s ate and leading rapidly to an economic and financial crisis. The efforts of Government had hitherto not availed against the apathy of the masses. The army was only waiting for the rear to army, which was growing more diffi-

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Lost Zeppelins. Strayed in the Fog.

Paris, Oct. 21.—Four Zeppelins are still wandering about disabled. All are hemmed in by French aviators. Two in the southwest, one on the Mediterranean, a fourth on-the Swiss frontier. One of these alighted in the neighbourhood of Iangerr and reascended, after jettisoning fifteen of the crew.

Paris, Oct. 21.—A book found on the Zeppelin captured at Bourbonne les Zeppelins lost their was when returning from England. The Zeppelins seem to be a new type as they are bigger than usual and able to fly a hun-

Paris, Oct. 22.—Apparently five zappelins were captured or destroyed in France, part of the fleet of eleven invaders of England. They were lost in vaders of England. They were lost in anti-aircraft guns. the fog there and drifted to France. Three seem to have escaped The remainder were sighted at daybreak and harried by gun-fire and aeroplanes throughout France. One fell in flames at St. Clement; another was captured intact at Bourbonne; a third caught a tree at Montigny le Roi. Sixteen of the crew landed, the Zeppelin broke from the tree and disappeared with four of the crew and is believed to have been lost; a fourth landed at mediately parliamentary anthority for Haragne, Basses-Alpes: a fifth passed the latter has been obtained. Much Fregus at five in the afternoon and disappeared in the Mediterranean drifting vertically.

France is most delighted at the rout of the Zeppelin fleet. At first it was believed that it was part of a gigantic double expedition to France and Eugland but the fact that no bounds were land, but the fact that no bombs were aboard those felled confirmed the view that the fleet was returning from England, caught in a fog, and apparently exhausted all petrol, drifted south-east before the wind, and found themselves in France believing they were approaching their own base. They were all sighted at daylight. The first was the victim of gunfire which it vainly tried to escape, ascending to eighteen-thousand feet; it fell in flames at St. Clement. Five mutilated bodies were found and others are buried in the debris. Its consorts, L 49 and L 50 were compelled by aeroplanes to descend respectively at Bourbonne and Montigny le Roi. The crew of the former, which was intact, was captured. The latter detached and destroyed the car, and reascended with four men. There is no news at present of the remnant of the scattered fleet.

Incidents of the Raid.

London, Oct. 21. -Of twenty seven deaths is what is styled the "Silent deaths 19 what 18 styled the "Shent raid" on Friday, seven were killed by a bomb in a shopping district of the West E d; thirteen by a bomb which wiped out three houses in a suburban street; eight of the latter belonged to one family, a mother, two boys, four girls and a baby. Another bomb demolished a whole suburban house in whose cellar fifteen were taking refuge. These were rescued after an hour's work. Some yesterday were little injured. The Premier visited Bains supports the theory that the the bombed areas yest rday. The damage to property in London was not serious. A remarkable feature was that numerous people in the suburbs knew nothing of the raid till it had dred and ten kilometres an hour and can rise to a height of 1,600 metres.

Paris, Oct. 22.—Apparently five zep-

Winston in the Air.

London, Oct. 21.-The air raid has evoked articles in the Sunday Times and Observer demanding without further delay the Government announcing the constitution of the air ministry. The lobbyist of the Sunday Times says that a political group which is watching Winston Churchill is convinced that he is manceuvring to be air minister, imdepends on whether General Smuts is able to remain much longer. Meanwhile Churchill is drastically reor ganising the ministry of munitions. mechanical warfare supply. The latter is one of the two men entitled to credit

for the tanks. London, Oct. 21.-The Weekly Dispatch states that Mr. Winston Churchill does not desire to leave the Ministry of Munitions.

IT is officially announced that the negotiations between Holland and Germany concerning the provisioning of coals and a suitable arrangement of other economic questions have led to a temporary result, says a Hague message of Oct. 10th. This result awaits the approval of both countries, consequently the negotiators have left for Berlin. In the meantime, arrangements are being made for the transport of coals to Holland.

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General Wire News.

London, Oct. 21.-Field Marshal Haig: There is nothing to report reciprocal artillery fire.

London, Oct 21. Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters says: Day and night our gunners are mercilessly pounding the Germans. The terrible effectiveness of the fire is evident from many sources. The artillerp battle is forcing the enemy to make constant reliefs owing to demoralisation of troops. A captured enemy officer's letter bitterly complained of shelling from his own artillery resulting " in a most unfavourable effect on our men who have been exposed for seven days to continuous heavy artillery fire." Another letter states that the English in four days smashed seven divisions, "yesterday two companies of infantry were buried." Another instances a company 140 strong which paraded a fortnight later eighteen strong, adding that it was the same with the whole regiment. The pick and flower of the Kaiser's army is being hammered to limits of human endur-

General Von Arderune writes he is profoundly concerned over the demoralisation of the German army facing the British, apprehending it is the british grim determination to gain a com-plete mastery of the Flanders ridge

London, Oct. 22.-Field Marshal Haig, reporting on aviation, says des pite much mist our aeroplanes this afternoon dropped tons of bombs on a foundry and railway junction ten miles northwest of Saarbrucken with very good results. Bursts were seen on the foundry and railway station and a big explosion occurred. Many scouts attacked the bombing squadrons and four were driven down. Photographs were taken and all machines returned except one. On Saturday 238 bombs were dropped on aerodromes at Gontrode and Roulers and also on Cortemarck station, various billets and hutments. One aerodrome at Roulers was bombed at a low height and one bomb blew to pieces a German machine on the ground. Another fell through the centre of a

The enemy's personnel and machines on the ground were machine gunned from our aeroplanes. Our scouts operating in the neighbourhood meanwhile brought down seven machines, which crashed in full view of the aerodromes. A ton of bombs was dropped at night on Ingelmunster aerodrome and railway station and also on aerodromes at Courtrai where a direct hit was obtained on a machine endeavouring to leave the ground. During the

brought down and four driven down. There was artillery work between

Three of ours are missing.

London, Oct. 21.—Field Marshal
Haig reports: The Irish made a successful raid to the northeast of Croisilles, took prisoner a few and returned without any casualties. Our patrols took prisoners twelve on the southeast Polygon wood. There is great reciprocal artillery fire on the battlefront.

London, Oct. 21.- A French communicaqué says: There was violent artillery fire on the Aisne. Our batteries exploded a munition-dump at

London, Oct. 22,-French communiqué: there is a violent artillery struggle at various points on the Aisne front especially in the region of Ailles and Cerny. A strong enemy attack to the north-west of Bezonvanx was driven off after violent fighting, Enemy aeroplanes dropped sixty bombs in the region of Dunkirk on the evening of Oct. 21.

London, Oct. 21. - Wireless German Official: The enemy bombarded Ostend from the sea most violently.

Vauxaillon and Braye.
London, Oct. 21.—Mesopotamia Official. We carried out successful operations in the vicinity of Deltawa and Kizil-Robat. Our columns began an enveloping movement on Friday and drove the enemy across the Diala. The Turks destroyed the bridge at Kizil Robat and retreated to the Kizil Robat and retreated to the southern hills of Jebel Hamrin ridge. We took prisoner some and captured wagon leads of ammunition.

London, Oct. 21.—East Africa Official. The main enemy forces retreat ing from Obemkurn, have reached Mahiwa abandoning their Hospitals. We occupied Ruponda and the Lukeledi mission and forced the Germans owards Nyangao. We occupied Nyangao on Wednesday. Two Nigerian battalions, which had been temporarily detached, suffered heavily. We joined up with them on Thursday and drove off counterattacks. The fighting is proceeding.

Buenos Aires, Oct. 21.-Britain has granted a safe conduct to Count Lux-

Amsterdam, Oct. 21.-At Sofia the Kaiser returning from Constantinople dined with King Ferdinand and departed for Germany at midnight on Friday. Zurich, Oct. 21.-The ex-King Con-

stantine has been successfully operated Chicago, Oct. 21.-Jacobin who was mentioned on October 19 and his three co-defendants were found guilty of conspiring to foment a rebellion in

Amsterdam, Oct. 21.-Herr Kuehlmann is in conference with Austro-Hungarian statesmen at Budapest and Vienna.

Odessa, Oct. 21.--The French Minis ter to Rumania has arrived and made a speech. Germany, he said has tried to expel the Rumanian army in Moldavia with the object of establishing at Bukharest a Government which will agree to a separate peace but the Rumanian army is resisting vigorously and protecting Besearabia and the result of German and Bulgarian atrocities in occupied Rumanian territory is that Germanophile politicians remaining in

Bukharest have declined to consider an infamous peace. Famine, however, threatened Moldavia and it was the duty of the Russian democracy to speedily organise supplies.

Germans Inundate Dutch Fields.

Het Volk gives details of an extraordinary state of affairs at Eindhoven, on the German frontier. All the canals and streams around the town have overflown their banks, with disastrous results to the fields which are under water. The cause is the rise of the river Dommel, which feeds there water-ways, and Het Volk says that the rise of the Dommel has been deliberately brought about by the Germans, who ent the Campine Dyke.

The reason for this "strategic mea-eure," as the Het Volk assume it to be, was to check the escape of deserters into Dutch territory The water of the canal, just where it passes the frontier, has risen to the height of the electric wire, which German deserters have had no difficulty in negotiating. As a further obstacle the Germans have simply inundated all the fields in the district, regardless of the crops.

The Dutch farmers can look for no

redress, for the commander of the Holland Field Army is hopelessly pro-Ger man. It was he who recently suspended the little local paper, the Eindhovensch Dagblad, because it described the sinking of a number of Dutch fishing vessels in the free channel as "an outrageous and cowardly act" and demanded that the Government of the Netherlands should "punish" this act, and address "the pirate is truly German fashion."

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