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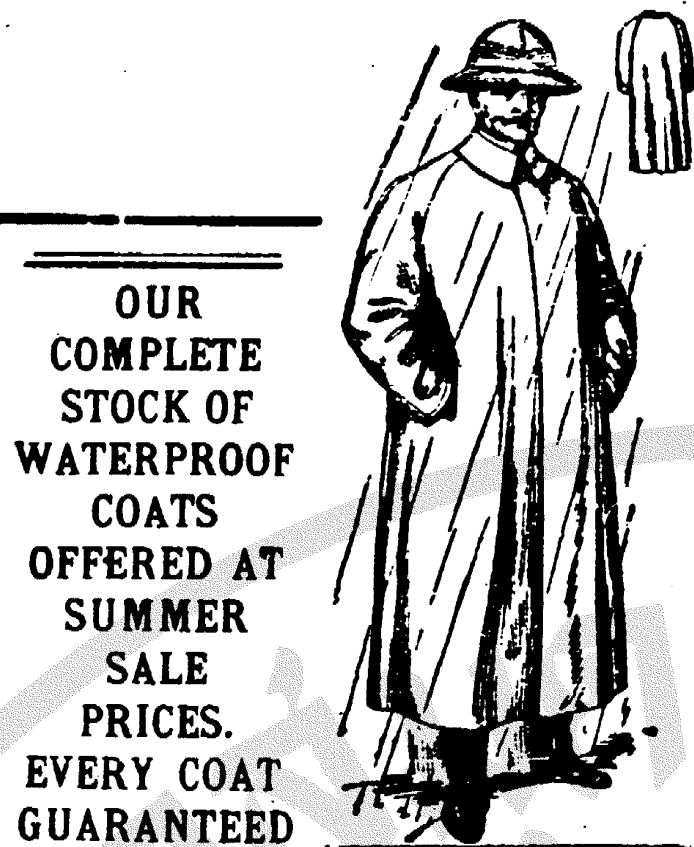
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s.s. "Nankin" Aug. 4	s.s. "Malwa"	Aug. 28
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" " " " 1	" "Mooltan"	25
" " " " 15	" "Kashgar"	Oct. 9
" " " " 29	" "Karnala"	23
" " " " 13	" "Arabia"	Nov. 5
" " " " 27	" "Mores"	19
" " " " 10	" "Medina"	Dec. 3

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s/s "Novara" July 9	" "	June 9
" " " " 23	" "Kashgar"	July 7
" " " " 21	" "Arabia"	Aug. 4
" " " " 3	" "Mores"	18
" " " " 17	" "Medina"	Sept. 1
" " " " 1	" "Mongolia"	15
" " " " 15	" "Malwa"	29
" " " " 30	" "Mooltan"	Oct. 12
" " " " 13	" "	27
" " " " 26	" "	

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s.s. Hitachi Maru " 30	s.s. Fushimi Maru " 25
s.s. Iyo Maru Sept. 13	s.s. Hirano Maru Nov. 8
s.s. Miyazaki Maru " 27	s.s. Kaga Maru " 23

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s.s. Fushimi Maru " 27	s.s. Kashima Maru Nov. 5
s.s. Hirano Maru Sept. 10	s.s. Mishima Maru " 19
s.s. Kaga Maru " 24	s.s. Suwa Maru Dec. 3
s.s. Kamo Maru Oct. 8	s.s. Atsuta Maru " 17

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s.s. "Asadang"	19. 8. 16.
" " "Yugala"	22. " "
" " "Boribat"	26. " "
No departure	29. " "
" " "Prachitipok"	2. 9. "
" " "Mahidol"	5. " "
" " "Asadang"	9. " "

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FOR AUG., 1916.

Aug.	A.M.			
	H. W.	Ft. in.	L. W.	(Approx.)
16	5 30	12 0
17	6 30	12 0
18	7 30	12 0
19	8 00	11 9
20	9 00	11 8	3-4	7-0
21	10 00	11 5	4-0	7-0
22	10 30	11 2	4-0	7-0
23	11 00	11 0	4-5	7-0
24	...	...	5-6	7-0
25	...	...	6-7	7-0
26	...	...	7-8	7-0
27	...	...	8-9	6-0
28	2 00	12 0	10-11	6-0
29	3 30	12 0	12-0	6-0
30	5 00	12 7	...	...
31	6 00	12 9	...	...
Sept.	7 00	12 10	2-3	7-0
1	8 00	13 4	3-0	6-0
2	9 00	13 0	4-0	6-0
3	10 00	13 0	5-0	7-0
4	11 00	12 7	6-7	7-0
5	12 00	12 11	7-8	7-0
6	...	...	8-9	7-0
7	...	...	9-10	7-0
8	...	...	9-10	7-0
9	1 30	11 2	10-11	7-0
10	3 30	11 6	11-12	6-0
11	4 30	12 5	11-12	6-0
12	5 30	13 0	11-12	6-0
13	6 00	13 1	...	...
14	6 30	13 1	1-0	7-0
15	7 00	13 1	1-0	7-0

Aug.	P.M.			
	H. W.	Ft. in.	L. W.	(Approx.)
16	8 00	14 2	1-2	6-0
17	8 00	14 2	1-2	6-0
18	8 30	14 0	1-2	6-0
19	8 30	13 9	1-2	7-0
20	8 30	13 7	2 0	7-0
21	8 30	12 11	...	...
22	8 30	12 10	...	...
23	7 15	13 0	...	...
24	5 30	13 9	...	...
25	5 30	13 10	...	...
26	6 00	14 2	...	...
27	6 00	14 4	...	...
28	6 30	14 4	...	...
29	7 00	14 8	...	...
30	7 30	14 10	1-0	6-0
31	7 30	14 1	1-0	6-0
Sept.	7 30	14 5	1-2	7-0
1	7 30	14 8	1-2	7-0
2	8 00	14 3	...	...
3	8 00	14 0	...	...
4	8 00	13 8	...	...
5	8 00	13 8	...	...
6	3 30	13 5	...	...
7	3 30	13 10	...	...
8	5 00	14 2	...	...
9	5 00	14 8	...	...
10	5 30	14 8	...	...
11	6 00	14 8	...	...
12	6 00	14 11	...	...
13	6 30	14 10	...	...
14	6 30	14 6	1-0	7-0
15	7 00	14 1	1-0	7-0

PHASES OF THE MOON.
Sept. 5th) First Quarter 11.9 a.m.
" 12th) Full Moon 3.13 a.m.
" 19th) Last Quarter 0.17 p.m.
" 27th) New Moon 2.16 p.m.

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New Far Eastern

Agreement.

All who sincerely desire the permanent peace of the Far East will welcome the Agreement between Japan and Russia which is published to-day. The document, which is expressly based upon the maintenance of that peace, contains two Articles. By the first each of the signatories undertakes not to become a party to "any arrangement or political combination directed against" the other. By the second, in case territorial rights or special interests in the Far East of either, which are recognised by the other, should be threatened, they pledge themselves to take counsel together "on the measures" to be adopted in view of the support or of the "help to be given in order to safeguard and defend those interests." The Agreement is thus purely defensive. It marks a further stage in the development of a policy which Japan and Russia have consistently followed since the Treaty of Portsmouth in September, 1905. The Agreement of 1907 was made "to avoid any cause of misunderstanding" between them. That of 1910 was designed "to develop the effects" of the former convention "in view of the consolidation of peace in the Far East." The first Agreement contemplated resort to pacific means only; the second was limited to Manchuria; third applies to all the territorial rights and special interests of both Powers in the Far East. Japan and Russia have steadily pursued the same policy since 1910, and it may well have led to other arrangements between them, defining their spheres of interest and claims, especially in view of Japan's recent invaluable services.

The cardinal merit of the Agreement is that it constitutes a fresh guarantee against insidious efforts to sow dissension between the signatories. That such efforts have been made persistently by Germany is notorious. It was in pursuit of her traditional policy of diverting Russian activities from Europe to Asia that she incited Russia to make war upon Japan in 1904-5. She desired to gain a free hand for Austro-German ambitions in the Balkans, in Asia Minor, in Mesopotamia, on the Persian Gulf and beyond, by involving the natural protector of the Balkan peoples in a remote and dangerous conflict. The momentary success of the scheme enabled her to force upon a weakened and disorganized Russia a one-sided commercial treaty. The certainty that Russia would not renew an instrument so injurious to herself when it expired in the present year was doubtless one of the motives which impelled the German Government to plunge Europe into war. But a yet stronger motive was the recognition that Russia had awakened to the sense of her national interests, and that she was no longer to be duped into neglecting them in pursuit of visionary projects in the Far East. Russia had again turned her gaze to the Balkans and to the West. The breach of the Munich Agreement for reforms in Macedonia, the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the simultaneous complicity by Ferdinand of Bulgaria were as significant as the repeated provocations offered to France. They were efforts to establish Austro-German claims on the road to Constantinople, before Russia had recovered strength enough to defeat them. This new Agreement is an illustration of how shortsighted German diplomacy has been. In the Far East, as in the West, it has brought together those whom it particularly sought to set at enmity. The British and French Governments welcome the Agreement, not only as an additional guarantee for the peace of the Far East, but as consolidating the relations between all of the Allies in that region. It is the common interest of them all to maintain the principles embodied by Japan and Russia in the

A German Review.

The "Deutsche Uebereinstimmung" reports:—New York, July 31.—The German Foreign Office has issued a review of the political events during the second year of the war. In the case of Russia, France and Italy, the Allies' policies are branded as aiming at territorial gains and generally as aiming at the destruction of Germany in military and economic relations.

The review says: "They do not want Germany to become great and strong, because other Powers wish to be the economic masters of the world. The desire of territorial and economic aggrandisement united Germany's foes in a war of destruction against us."

"The second year of the war has brought these true aims into a clearer light: in Russia, this is openly admitted, she having an understanding with Britain and wanting Constantinople as their war-goal. In France, there is a mad war-cry for Alsace-Lorraine. In Britain, too, the mask has been dropped and it is openly admitted that Belgium was only a pretext to justify Britain's participation in the war, which was undertaken only from interest."

"Germany must be destroyed. Never must Germany raise her head again economically or militarily. In this way is the true goal of our enemies more clearly enunciated during the second year of the war."

The statement continues: "It is not enough that the world must be shaken by this protracted and bloody war. The world must not even thereafter enjoy settled peace, if the will of the Entente Powers prevails. For the decisions of the economic peace, but permanent economic warfare, which never will permit the world to come to rest upon peaceful competition."

The statement says the second year of war has shown the Allies as disturbers of the peace and as followers of the principle that might is right, by reckless abandonment of the fundamental principles of the law of neutral rights.

"One observes in the second year of the rights of neutrals in the interests of Britain and her allies. These violations will also continue during the third year and will even increase unless all signs prove false."

Germany's ultimate goal is said to be the freedom of the seas, Germany's sea power being a counterweight to Britain's arbitrary domination of the seas, which will be to the advantage of the whole world. Germany proved last year, by relinquishing her most effective submarine weapon, her desire, as far as possible, to avoid violating just rights of neutrals, although compelled to wage a life and death struggle.

Pointing to her firm union with her allies, the statement concludes that, building upon what she has already achieved, Germany treads the threshold of the third year with unshaken confidence.

The Norfolk Federal Court has decided the proceedings for possession of the captured British liner Appam in favour of the British owners and against the German prize crew. The court held that Germany lost her legal claim to the Appam as a prize of war when a prize crew brought the Appam to neutral American waters with the intention of laying her up indefinitely. Appeal against this decision is expected.

Agreement of 1907, and doubtless the spirit which inspired the present arrangement has been preserved in this latest offering. For Japan, as for Russia this step is an advance on the path dictated by her position as a Great Power. Like her accession to the Pact of London, it draws her into the full stream of world politics as an equal amongst the historic Powers of Europe. —(Times.)

Meklong Railway Co., Ltd.

TIME TABLE.

BANGKOK-MEKLONG.				MEKLONG-BANGKOK.			
STATIONS.	Train No.			STATIONS.	Train No.		
	I.	III.	V.		VI.	VIII.	
	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.		A.M.	P.M.	
Km. Bangkok Dep.	7.00	9.00	2.00	4.00	Km. Meklong Dep.	9.00	2.00
33.1 Malachai					B. Hlane		
Terminus Arr.	8.20	10.20	3.20	5.20	33.8 Terminus Arr.	10.20	3.20

The Company's Steam Launches will meet Trains to carry through passengers across the Tachin River at a fixed rate.

BANGKOK-MEKLONG.				MEKLONG-BANGKOK.			
STATIONS.	Train No.			STATIONS.	Train No.		
	III.	VII.			II.	IV.	VI.
	A.M.	P.M.			A.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Km. B. Hlane							
Terminus Dep.	10.50	3.50			Km. Terminus Dep.	7.00	11.00
33.8 Meklong Arr.	12.10	5.10	33.1 Bangkok Arr.	8.20	12.20	3.20	5.20

BANGKOK TERMINUS: Opposite The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd.

Dutch War News.

An Austrian submarine sank an Italian steamer off Malta.

A German aeroplane dropped at Vol-dorp. The Lieutenant was interned.

The "Vomicho Zeitung" states that Germany has every prospect of a good harvest. The condition of the corn is excellent.

The Vice-President of the Raad van Indie, Hori van der Horst van Oordt, will retire in December and return to Holland.

The export of bread from Holland to Belgium has been cut down by half. Next week the export will be totally stopped as Holland has a shortage of grain and meal.

An explosion took place in an ammunition factory at Konigsberg. Forty workmen and twenty women were killed and 14 persons severely and 58 slightly wounded.

The Netherlands Indians Budget for 1917 will contain an item of a quarter of a million guilders to be used for the prevention of plague and housing improvements for the native classes, says a Solo correspondent.

An Allied airman dropped bombs on a German military establishment at Aerocshot in Belgium. A colossal fire ensued and an enormous quantity of war material was set in flames.

The London correspondent of the "Telegraaf" states that no military damage was done during the last Zeppelin raids, the German communiqué being a mass of lies.

The British artillery attacked the Zeppelins everywhere they appeared and drove them off and prevented them flying inland. The total casualties in all Zeppelin raids made is 363 dead and 861 wounded.

The Netherlands Tobacco Trust have notified 30,000 importers that goods which are now on the prohibition list for export will continue to be so after the war is over and there is no likelihood of the restriction being taken off.

The German High Chancellor, Dr. Von Bethman-Hollweg and Herr Jagow German Minister for Foreign Affairs are on a visit to Vienna to take part in a conference which has for its object a satisfactory solution as regards the holding of the places which the Germans and Austrians have taken while acting in conjunction.

During the last two months the Russians have captured from the Austrians and Germans, 3 Generals, 7,077 officers, 230,000 men, 501 cannon, and 1,200 machine-guns. The Central Powers on all fronts have lost not less than three quarters of a million men during the same time. Though Russians during the same period advanced by 35 miles.

The British Consul at Batavia has informed the "Batavia Nieuwsblad" that the following firms have been placed on the black list by his Government:—

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The Men on Elephant Island.**Chances of their Obtaining Food.**

Reuter's Agency understands that no definite plan for the rescue of Shackleton's men, who are marooned on Elephant Island, has yet been decided upon, although owing to the failure of the Uruguayan trawler to get through the ice various schemes are now being considered.

Reuter's representative has had an interview with Mr. R. C. M. Suman, a member of Dr. Bruce's Weddell Sea Expedition, who has spent eight years in those waters. Dealing with the possibilities of rescue and the chance of the marooned party's surviving the winter, he said: The chances are that most if not all of them will survive, even if their rescue is delayed for some time. In the history of Antarctic exploration three parties have been stranded in somewhat similar circumstances. When in February, 1903, the Antarctic was proceeding to pick up the Swedish explorer Dr. Nordenskjöld at Snow Hill, some 200 miles to the south of Elephant Island, she was crushed in the ice and foundered. Two parties reached land at separate points. With very little in the way of stores they managed to carry on until November, when they were rescued. Out of a score of men only one succumbed to the privations which were encountered. The party at the Elephant Island will probably be able to supplement their scanty rations with seals and penguins. There is also a species of fish resembling rock cod which is plentiful in these waters. At the South Orkneys large areas are covered with thick moss which can readily be converted into soup, and which also possesses valuable anti-scorbutic properties. Elephant Island is in much the same latitude, and it is reasonable to expect that similar vegetation may be found there.

MAJOR Raynal, the heroic defender of Vaux, writes to his wife from Mainz, where he is now interned, that the Germans have faithfully carried out the conditions he laid down in writing when he surrendered. The Crown Prince gave him his sword and a copy of General Joffre's order congratulating the Major upon his defence. He was also allowed to take with him the dog which had been his companion at Vaux to the last. Major Raynal is, however, without news, so far, of his gallant handful of men who stood on with him.

Cultuur Maatschappij Soekaboeni Soerabaya; Cultuur Maatschappij Ljikapo, Soerabaya; Cultuur Maatschappij Aagoen Waltie, Soerabaya; Horak Soerabaya, Kina Cultuur Maatschappij at Macassar; Pou Soen Tjiang, Behn Mahy-or & Co's Technical Bureau and Otto Werhatz & Co. of Soerabaya whilst Heer de Forge of Medan has had his name removed.

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SHIPPING AND INCREASED COST OF LIVING.

One of the reasons adduced in foreign countries for the high cost of living is the scarcity of shipping. No doubt this is the sole reason for the high cost of all foreign articles sold in this market. It has been suggested in Great Britain that all vessels building in the numerous shipping yards of that country for neutral nations should be commandeered and used just as when the War broke out all war vessels then being built in British yards for any foreign country whether enemy or neutral were taken possession of. That the shipping industry has reaped enormous profits during the last two years can be easily seen by a glance at the balance sheets of some of these concerns. There is one Company which last year showed a million sterling of net profits divisible among shareholders. Another and smaller firm had £104,000 and yet another £74,000. It is commonly known that the profits of shipping companies have advanced by 77 per cent. on the normal earnings. Instances of the sales of ships at big prices can be instanced without number. A steamer built some forty years ago was sold ten years ago for £6,000 and resold this year for £41,000. A steamer which was sold seven years ago for £22,300 was bought again by the previous sellers for £56,000. A new steamer sold last year for £65,000 was sold twelve months later for £171,000. These are some practical illustrations of the enhanced value of ships consequent on the War and the loss of a large number of freight carrying vessels during the past two years from one cause and another. Is it not a pity under these circumstances that Siam has no national shipping company? There was some talk soon after War broke out of the formation of such an institution. If it had only taken fruition at that time steamers could have been bought at reasonable sums and the profits of the Company during the first twelve months would have paid every tical of the money invested in the purchase of the vessels and the formation of the Company. It is no use shedding bitter tears of regret on what was not done. There is still time to establish Siam's first ship-building yard and to make a start with the building of ships large enough to carry Siam's produce to neighbouring ports. High freights are bound to rule for another ten years at least.

The "What Nots."

The Opening Night.

In spite of it being Monday and a rainy day the "What Nots" opened their season at the Phathanalai Theatre last night to a fairly good house. It must be said that the entertainment was excellent. The programme opened with Professor Renville Roberty introducing feats of parlour magic, his illusions were thoroughly enjoyed and as a contrast there was the foolery of Charlie who, throughout this part of the programme, kept everyone in roars of laughter.

The whistling song by Charlie was also well rendered. The Warleys who sang and danced most charmingly were much appreciated whilst the classical dances by Miss Irene Beryl was a striking feature of the programme. Between the vaudeville turns moving pictures of an exceptionally high class were screened.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Nangun Phim Thai understands that His Majesty the King will open the new premises of the Siam Electricity Company on September 1.

THE Appeal Court will deliver judgment in the case brought by the Krom Ayakarn against Akorn Ah Yong and two others on the 28th instant.

THE Siam Auctioneering Co. will sell on Saturday the 26th inst. the household furniture and other effects of Mr. M. Tamagno at his residence in Windmill Road.

Paddy Report.

14th to 20th August 1916. (Last work.)	
Nasuan	13870 Coyans.
Samruang	5760 "
Namuang	1380 "
Total	21,010 "

Personal.

Mrs. Thornely, wife of Justice P. W. Thornely of the Appeal Court, who has been recuperating in Java is now on her homeward voyage. She will be in Singapore about this time and ought to arrive in Bangkok early next week.

Mrs. E. G. Gollo who has also been in Java will be returning at the same time. Mrs. Gollo's infant had quite recovered from the blood poisoning inadvertently caused by the nurse leaving a pair of scissors in the child's cot.

Monsieur Guyon of the Code Commission, who are glad to learn, has signed a new contract with the Minister of Justice for a further period of service.

Mr. Cable, who has returned from his trip to Java in the best of health, speaks highly of the climate conditions existing there.

Mr. Herizka will be leaving for Hua Hin next week. He has built for himself a small bungalow there.

Udaidhani News.

On the 14th instant the Lord Lieutenant, Phya Ronachai Charnyudh arrived from Nagor Svarga.

On the 15th instant the Chief Judge of the Moudhol Court, Luang Prathan Kadsart was also at Udaid.

On the morning of the 16th instant the accused Ai Noi charged with the murder of Nai Chok and Nai Prom was before the Court when the Judgment of the Dika Court and the sentence of death passed on the accused was read to him.

The Lord Lieutenant it is said will be going to Bangkok about the 4th proximo.

The Governor, Phya Pichai Sunthorn is still away with the Minister of the Interior.

German Anxiety.

The "Gazette de Frankfurt" says: "This is veritably a battle of giants. We must confess that this time our enemies have succeeded in taking the initiative of action."

According to the "Koelnische Volkszeitung," "it may be said that for the first time since the beginning of the war the unity of the front of the Quadruple Entente has been achieved. Our enemies may glorify in that. We have to face at the same time a Russian offensive, an Italian offensive, and a Franco-English offensive. The moment is so serious that quakers might be afraid."

Finally, the "Frankfurter Zeitung" declares: "The French may glorify themselves that, thanks to their unexampled spirit of sacrifice before Verdun, they have enabled their Allies to complete their preparations."

Roman Relics Discovered.

Statue Of Alexander The Great Unearthed.

Some of the most wonderful archaeological finds of the century have been unearthed at the Roman baths at Cyrenica, says the Milan correspondent of the "Daily Chronicle."

These include a colossal statue of Alexander the Great, over 55 feet high, which has been recovered entire; an Athena, derived from a Greek original of the fifth century before Christ; a well preserved Eros which has the merit of being an unique example, showing the exact position of the bow, and also the most perfect specimen of a sculptured satyr on record.

The previous week's excavations in the tiny Temple of Isis brought to light a giant statue of Mercury, judged to be the finest find of all, besides an exquisite group of the Three Graces, the marble of which appears almost as new with all three hands intact.

A later message announces that as a sequel to the fresh impetus which the new Italian Colonial Minister has given to exploration work, on the part of the garrison troops there, the Temple of Jupiter is being laid bare. It has a richly-coloured mosaic floor. Though the digging is still in the initial phase, some important inscriptions dating back to the periods of the Emperors Hadrian and Antoninus Pius are among the finds, besides a very uncommon type of an image of Zeus about 8 feet in height, whose majestic head possesses a peculiar artistic value.

These masterpieces will probably be transferred to Rome.

Shipping Notes.

The Nor. s.s. Helios 860 tons Capt. O. Ommundsen, arrived from Singapore to-day with one bag of mail and 1 deck passenger. The consignees are Messrs. Wang Lee and Co.

Ships in Harbour.

Helios	Nor.	14
Heim	"	79
Skule	"	Navy
Wanli	Chin.	65
Chusan	Brit.	81
Maur	Nor.	H.

THE Great War.

German Fleet Comes Out Again.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
London, Aug. 21.
The British Admiralty announces that the German High Sea Fleet came out on Saturday, but avoided battle with considerable British Forces and returned to port. The cruisers Nottingham and Falmouth were submerged whilst searching the enemy. All the officers of the former were saved, but 38 men are missing. All on board the Falmouth were saved.

The Admiralty also announces that one German submarine was destroyed and another rammed and possibly sunk. There is no truth in the German statement that a British destroyer was sunk and a battleship damaged.

[The "Nottingham" was a light cruiser of 5,440 tons. Guns 9.6 inch and 4.3 pr. The "Falmouth" was also a light cruiser of 5,250 tons. Guns 8.6 inch and 4.3 pr.]

British Gains.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
London, Aug. 21.
General Sir Douglas Haig's communique. By a strong attack near Highwood, the enemy succeeded in reaching our line, but he was driven out immediately.
North of Bazentin-le-Petit we gained further portions of the enemy's trenches.

Indo-China.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)
Paris, Aug. 20.
M. Bourcier Saintchaffray has been nominated Resident Superior of Indo-China.

Violent Attacks.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)
Paris, Aug. 20.
To-day we repulsed extremely violent attacks between Fleury and Thiaumont Work, inflicting severe losses.

In Salonika.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)
Paris, Aug. 20.
The Allied armies in Salonika have come into contact with Germano-Bulgarian troops on the whole of the front.

Russian Report.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)
Paris, Aug. 20.
Petrograd.—In the region of the Stockhod we captured Tobaky taking 220 prisoners.
There were fierce combats in the Caucasus in the direction of Diarbekir.

Singapore Share Market.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)
Singapore, Aug. 22.
The Share Market is dull. Tin is quoted at \$81.45.

Artillery at Verdun.

2,000 German Guns.

We learn from a well informed source that the French Headquarters Staff have ascertained that on May 26 the Germans had in front of Verdun 561 batteries of artillery. Allowing for the fact that not all of these batteries were four-gun batteries, but in the case of the heavy and very heavy guns are one or two gun batteries, this means that the Germans had available about 2,000 guns of various calibres. Amongst these were forty of very great size ten being 16in guns, and the remainder Austrian 15in. or 12in guns. Besides there were 700 guns ranging from 5in. to 8.4in. and 1,260 guns of medium and small calibre, i.e., 4in. and 3in. As the number of divisions engaged at any one time on the Verdun front was about twenty, it follows that the quota of artillery usually allotted to each division had been increased by one-fifth.—D. T.

Humanities of the War.

A subaltern of good family on leave in London recently spent his time mostly in restaurants and music-halls. Introduced to a vivacious comedienne and dancer, he straightway fell in love with her, and, having had much more wine than was good for him, proposed to her after dinner.

The next morning repentance came on him with his headache, and he wrote to the lady confessing that he had been a bit of an idiot, and hoping she had not taken him seriously. She replied: "You certainly did your 'bit'; but don't worry—I'm married."

Even the callous German soldiers have no stomach for burning the bodies of their comrades killed in battle. Of late there have been several mutinies, and Belgians have been forced to do this ghastly work.

The part which aristocratic ladies have taken in war organisations has developed unsuspected capabilities. Two leaders in Smart Society are running a laundry business; a countess under an unassuming alias is the manageress of a creamery; and a duchess and a marchioness are studying the methods of the fruit-bottling and jam-making industry.

Relations are somewhat strained just now in the family circle of a well-known public man. Owing to the difficulty of re-placing servants who had left, his wife decided to shut up the house, and, with her daughter, has taken up domestic duties in a V.A.D. hospital for officers. Meanwhile her husband, a man of very domestic tastes, is dining at restaurants and loudly bemoaning the fact that he is unable to persuade his family of the truth of the old adage that charity begins at home!

In the absence of young bloods at the front or elsewhere non-military age men are having a good time in dancing attendance on pretty revue ladies. Some of these sprightly dancers know their way about, and one of the most popular employs a private detective to make inquiries concerning the status and pecuniary position of her would-be admirers before she encourages their acquaintance.

An Army doctor tells a story which well illustrates the proverbial cheeriness of our gallant wounded. A certain young officer, on being told that one of his legs would have to be amputated, replied that it didn't matter, as it wouldn't interfere a bit with the career he had mapped out for himself. Asked to explain, he declared, with a twinkle in his eye, that his ambition was to become a member of Parliament, and he had observed that, according to their opponents, most politicians hadn't a leg to stand on.

The mind of one of the wealthiest ladies of fashion has given way under the strain of the war and the loss of her two sons. She is in charge of a nurse, and all she cares for is to go the round of her favourite shops and make extensive purchases for presents to the nurse whom she fancies is the Red Cross sister who attended her sons in their last moments. The shopkeepers know the circumstances and humour her. Of course, the goods are never sent home.

There is trouble in War Office circles at present over a claim that has been put in by a member of Parliament for a sum of close upon £200,000 as commission charged for purchasing timber in connection with the provision of huts for our soldiers. The official view is that they were under the impression that he was doing the work from patriotic motives entirely. It seems probable that the misunderstanding will cost them the full amount claimed.

The Government has decided to relieve American citizens resident in this country of the two shillings in the pound additional income tax upon American securities held by them. The concession will also probably apply to other neutrals. The decision will give great satisfaction in the United States, inasmuch as the American Government was already being approached with the idea of making representations to the British Government, and it will relieve American citizens who happen to hold positions on condition of taking up shares in an undertaking, or whose salary is partly paid in shares, of a distinct hardship.

King Nicholas of Montenegro, who has a taste for poetry, and is the author of a play called "The Tsaritz of the Balkans," is writing an ode, the subject of which is the prowess of the Italian Army. He intends to dedicate the poem to his daughter, the Queen of Italy.

Here is a characteristic story of Lord Kitchener. He had at one time a French cook, who was devoted to him. The cook one day became smitten with the charms of a pretty French girl. He spoke to several persons concerning his idea of getting married, and finally pleaded with Colonel Fitzgerald to broach the subject to his master. "Oh," said Kitchener, "let him get married if it does not spoil his cooking."

Baron Ishii on the Anglo-Japanese Alliance.

Baron Ishii, Minister for Foreign Affairs, speaks ex cathedra—from a close and very intimate knowledge of the conduct of foreign affairs in this country, as well as a sympathetic and very human touch with the "man in the street."

Baron Ishii has very many years been identified with the work of Japan's Foreign Office. He served as Chief of Bureau and as Vice-Minister holding the latter position for some years under the late Marquis Komura, who is now conceded to have been one of the most brilliant and forceful foreign ministers Japan has had. Up to a few months ago, Baron Ishii was Ambassador to France and was called back to succeed Baron Kato.

Baron Ishii was asked to express an opinion as to the relations between Great Britain and Japan as affected by the recent agitation in the opposition newspapers. He said:

No thoughtful or sensible person can doubt the sincerity of Japan in the position she has taken as to the present world struggle. The record speaks for itself and I would consider it undignified and superfluous now to make protestation or re-assertions of Japan's loyalty. The real Japan regrets the bare insinuation of disloyalty and particularly of disloyalty to a friend in trouble.

"In normal times with a world at peace, arguments and discussions over the terms and conditions of existing international treaties are permissible; indeed, they are desirable. But now, with the world at war, with our friend and ally engaged in a relentless enemy, is not the time for such discussion or for dissension. We realize the obligation that lies upon us in the form of a treaty of alliance, but I may say that Japan is bound to England not by the ties of a treaty of alliance but by the closer bonds of mutual friendship and of mutual gratitude."

"The Frenchman has an expression which fits the case—'Noblesse oblige'—and so it will be with Japan while this war lasts and afterward."

Local and national political explosives sometimes invade international territory. They appear formidable and are really harmless, but are taken seriously by the dwellers abroad. The weak foreign policy, or the failure in diplomacy of this or that cabinet are cries that have caught the popular ear at all times and will continue to do so. But international agreements and international friendships lie deeper than all this and are not really touched or injured by such talk.

"In spite of the efforts of our common enemy to sow the seeds of discord, I believe this war is going to bring the world closer together in mutual understanding and when that time of fuller understanding has been reached, there will be no call from the gentlemen of other countries to the gentlemen of Japan to reassert their pledges or protect their good faith."

Germany and Peace.

New York, July 21.—Advice from Berlin say that a big movement is to be started on August 1st throughout the German Empire in support of the Government in regard to peace. The Grand Duke of Baden will be at the head of the movement.

The movement has been planned at the suggestion of the authorities to defend the Government against the concerted opposition of the Conservatives and a section of the Nationalists against the policy of Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg, the Imperial Chancellor. They declare Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg's policy too lukewarm, and that his opinion on peace will endanger Germany's future. The opposition of these Conservatives and Nationalists may cause a breach, it is feared, in the public opinion on the war, and even a Ministerial change. Sympathisers with the Imperial Chancellor, therefore, have planned this movement to frustrate the extremists.

The German Standpoint.

The Berlin correspondent of the Frankfurter Zeitung writes:—To every one, both at the front and at home, it is clear that a struggle for victory or defeat is in progress now, that this struggle is by no means at an end, and that our troops ahead will have a hard time. When, however, we consider the events of the last six days it is clear that our opponents have not nearly achieved what they expected.

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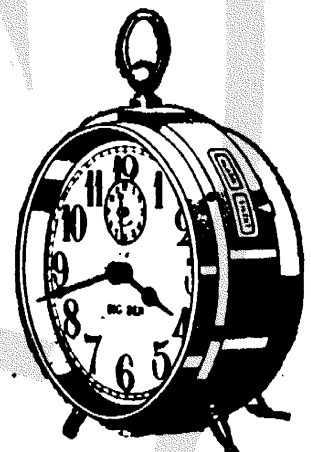
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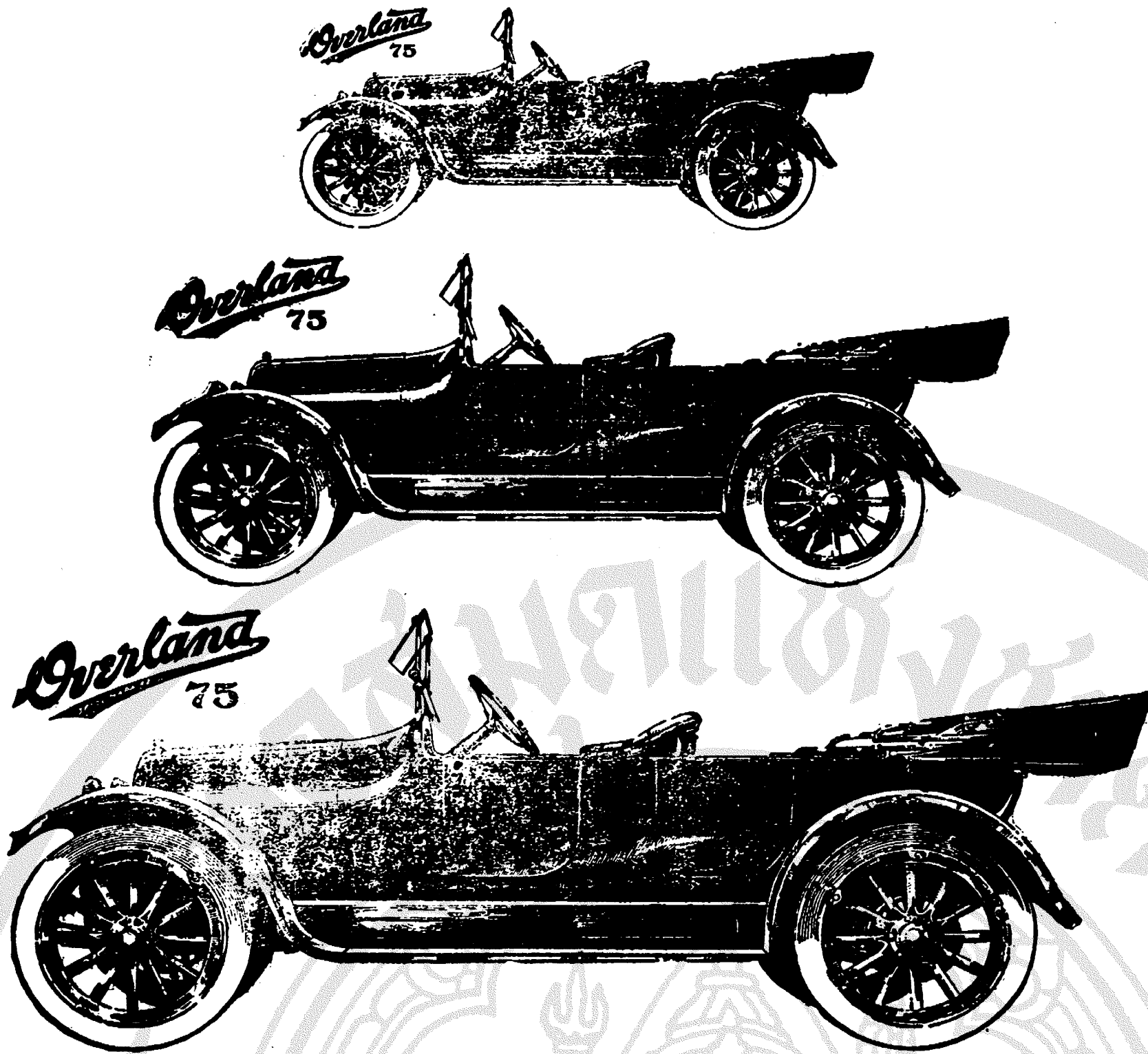
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Will the war bowl over, among so many other respectable institutions of the past, that pillar of French social life, the dowry?

Chivalrous almost to the point of becoming quixotic, M. Urbain Gohier ardently hopes so, but he is not at all sure. Only the other day he heard a mother of the old school explaining why she no longer consented to the marriage that had been arranged for her son.

"My boy has the Legion of Honour and the Military Cross now, and he can do a much better match than that."

M. Gohier does not deny that there is much to be said for the French way of making marriages. Life is seldom one big honeymoon, even among the most loving of couples, and in times of stress a woman who had come to her husband empty handed would be only too likely to have it thrown at her as a reproach.

But is the modern swain so low of nature that he would treat his wife as a slave, or little better than a servant, simply because she had brought him no money? Many people in France are sufficiently sceptical to believe so, and that is why they are such staunch upholders of the dot.

"Buy Their Husbands."

It is the custom of savages to buy their wives: in ultra civilised countries it is the custom for the wives to buy their husbands, remarks M. Gohier, who goes on to declare that the only manly way is to let young people make their own way in life. He believes that this is what will happen in France after the war.

The girls will show their gratitude and their admiration for the defenders of the country by marrying them for what they are, while the heroes of hundred fights will never abase themselves to make marriage a question of £. s. d.

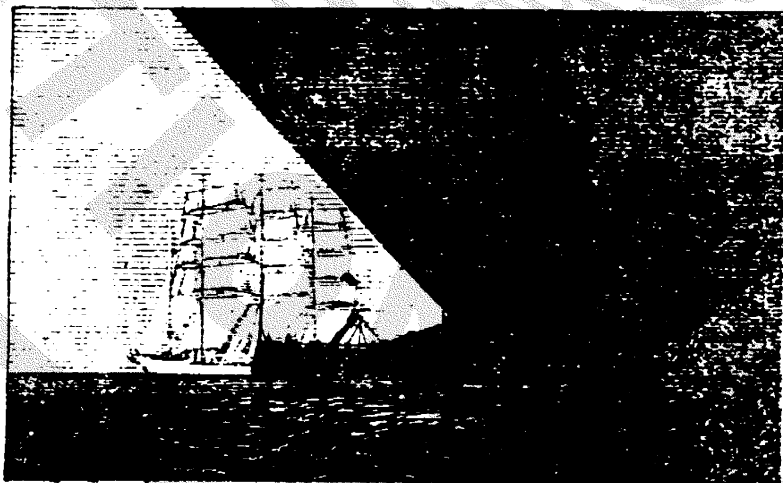
And surely, concludes M. Gohier, there is more real joy in setting out on the sea of life hand in hand, for better and for worse, determined to make the haven of one's choice than to hop into a ready made nest, snugly complacent perhaps, but the prisoner for all time of dull conventionality.

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The Jutland Battle.

The "Times" naval correspondent alluded to the effective marksmanship of the British gunners and the deadly use they made of the large calibre weapons carried in the bigger ships.

When the action began at 3.48 p.m. the range was 18,500 yards (10 miles), or about the same as that at which the engagement off the Dogger Bank began. The six battlecruisers in the squadrons under Sir David Beatty included four Lions, each with eight 13.5 guns, and two Indefatigables, each with eight 12in. guns.

As every gun in these ships could fire on either broadside, a weight of metal if 40,000lb. could be discharged from the 12.5in. guns and 13,600lb. from the 12in. guns, or a total of nearly 24 tons of projectiles at every round. It is not clear, however, if the conditions were ever such that the ships could bring all their guns to bear on the enemy.

Good Work At Eight Miles.

The range was subsequently reduced to 14,500 yards (8½ miles), at which distance, although the outline of the enemy was very indistinct, the practice was good, and one of their battlecruisers was seen to be on fire.

The greatest range mentioned throughout the despatches, however, is that at which the Fifth Battle Squadron, composed of the Queen Elizabeth class opened fire at 4.8 p.m. This was 20,000 yards (11½ miles), range of course, much greater than that at which any other sea battle in the world's history had been fought. It is nearly three times the distance at which Admiral Togo opened fire at Tsushima in 1905.

Each ship of the Queen Elizabeth class carries eight 15in. guns, and the total weight of metal on the broadside would thus be 60,800lb., or more than 27 tons, which could be discharged at the enemy at the rate of twice a minute. Unfortunately, the low visibility and the indistinct nature of the target may have interfered somewhat with the effect at this very long range.

Heavy Ordnance.

On the northerly course, after the German battleships, had joined, the range was 14,000 yards and the weather conditions became more unfavourable to us. At 6 p.m., when the Vice-Admiral turned their van, the range came down to 12,000 yards, and the conditions in regard to light became more favourable. The gallant Hood's vessel was only 8,000 yards from the enemy's leading ship, and shortly after this the visibility became very indifferent, not more than four miles, and the enemy's ships were temporarily lost sight of.

Although the mist rendered range-taking difficult, the rapidity with which hitting was established by the Iron Duke—when a vessel of the Koenig class was struck at the second salvo, and hitting only ceased when the target ship turned away—calls forth deserved praise.

There was nothing to indicate that rapidity of fire from the smaller calibres of guns can compensate for weight of metal. It was the heavy ordnance throughout which got in the effective work, and the superior gun-power and higher technique on the British side proved their value.

Rainfall.

We have received the following telegraphic reports of rainfall from the Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Lands and Agriculture:

MONDOL KRUNG DEB.		
At Phra Pradaeng Aug. 15	10.5	mm.
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MONDOL KRUNG KAO.		
At Lobburi Aug. 17	11.5	..
.. Anglong ..	18	32.3 ..
.. Singhburi ..	18	22.0 ..
.. Sraburi ..	18	5.3 ..
.. Lobburi ..	18	60.0 ..
MONDOL NAGOR JAISRI.		
At Sumsongor Aug. 17	0.4	..
.. Negor Pathom ..	18	11.4 ..
.. Sarnaburi ..	18	5.0 ..
.. Sumsongor ..	18	0.8 ..
MONDOL RAJBURI.		
At Rajburi Aug. 17	32.1	..
.. Sumsongram ..	17	13.2 ..
.. Rajburi ..	18	29.1 ..
.. Bejraburi ..	18	12.4 ..
.. Sumsongram ..	18	16.7 ..
MONDOL PRACHIN.		
At Jolburi Aug. 17	28.0	..
MONDOL NAGOR SVARGA.		
At Nagor Svarga Aug. 18	21.0	..
.. Udaidhani ..	18	11.0 ..
.. Jainad ..	18	17.1 ..
.. Kambaengbura ..	18	6.3 ..

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Concerning these there is an interesting story to tell. A Chinese philanthropist, Yung Tap, purchased 5,000 New Testaments to give to friends. These were distributed last year. Each book contains a presentation slip bearing the words: "Respectfully presented by Yung Tap, who is not a church member." Another slip contains some excellent advice to the reader, and then several well chosen quotations from the Bible.

The agent of the Bible Society called on Mr. Yung at his home in Peking and Mr. Yung returned the call at the Bible House. The agent records his judgment that Mr. Yung is a humble follower of Jesus Christ, fully imbued with his spirit, though not a church member. Mr. Yung told the agent: "I have only just started on my work of Bible distribution. I intend to put copies in every school in the whole of China and into the hands of every teacher and official."

At the same time the Society's agent reports that owing partly to war conditions, but principally because the appropriations have been reduced, he has been obliged for the present actually to stop printing books and will soon have to stop the distribution of the books already printed in some parts of the country. The stock of Scriptures has been nearly sold out.

The Bible Society thought it a significant and touching fact that one missionary in China who is personally far from rich sent in a centennial gift of \$114 in gold to New York. Officers of the Society hinted that there could be no better example set for Christians in America interested in the Bible Society's work.

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Germany's Hold on Rumania.

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The "New York World" publishes the following article, dated June 9, from its special correspondent in Bucharest:—

The peaceful penetration by Germany of Rumania, and the work and organization accomplished before as well as after the commencement of the war by the Germans in this country, invites the wonder and even the respect of an impartial observer, if there was not a discrimination in the ways and means adopted by them to achieve their ends.

To study the Rumanian commerce, industry, and finance is to know the story of German enterprise, German work, and German initiative gaining the mastery everywhere and in every walk of life.

Since 1860, when a Hohenzollern Prince was put on the Rumanian throne, until the present day, Germans have gradually immigrated and settled here in large numbers. In the city of Bucharest alone the number of German residents is over 20,000, while in other Rumanian cities there are not less than a further 50,000. To these must be added 240,000 German-speaking Jews, who are always the forerunners of German interests and German propaganda. They hold the most valuable properties and estates in the capital and in the other large cities, as well as rich and fertile lands in the Dobruja district.

German Chamber of Commerce.

As everywhere in other countries, in Rumania also, German official and unofficial agents have spared no efforts or means in their endeavours to increase their influence and to multiply gradually their enterprises and commerce. While England and France together have only ten consular representatives in this country, Germany and Austria are represented by 25 consular agents. As to non-official, commercial attaches and agents there can be no comparison, as the Germans alone have several scores more than their adversaries combined. They have also a chamber of commerce in the city of Bucharest, while the French and English have no such thing in this country.

The country's commercial, financial, economic, social, educational, hygienic, and many other phases are thoroughly studied and reported on from time to time. Anyone interested in Rumanian affairs is obliged to refer to the German reports.

With such an organization and the knowledge resulting from it, the Germans, with their low-priced goods,

made for the Orient," and long-period easy-payment system, became the predominant masters of the Rumanian market, thus importing goods annually to the amount of about £5,600,000 (during 1913) from Germany, out of a total of £9,520,000 of general Rumanian imports.

In order to maintain their commerce the Germans opened many banks and established many industrial houses, and by hard competition and various devices became the owners of part of the petroleum mines.

Control of Petroleum Field.

From 1895 to 1900, the German capitalists, supported by German diplomacy, strove their utmost to become the sole masters of the entire petroleum field. In this endeavour they had two points in their minds: one was economic, and the other political. At that time Germany had already concluded a secret political alliance with Rumania, and she was planning to assure the supply of her needs of petroleum in case of war, as she knew well that Russia would side with her enemies, and that she would not be able to get very much material from the United States, owing to the English blockade; so it was her endeavour to have the Rumanian oil fields under German ownership, she could amply provide her wants. The only serious competitors that appeared in the field were the Americans, but the German by their diplomacy drove them off.

Almost all the electrical work in the capital and in the provinces are in German hands. The Fernie Iron Works, the port, foundries and the shipbuilding and repairing at Galatz are owned by the Krupp Company. Almost all the companies that manufacture cloth, cotton, cement paper, and many other industries, as also the wood exporting trade, are in the hands of the Germans. If you add to these the Austrian and Hungarian enterprises, you will have an approximate idea of what the so-called Rumanian industry consists of.

With German commerce and industry predominating in Rumania, it is natural also that German finance should have made some headway in order to make the Rumanian dependence on Germany still more complete. Out of £60,000,000 of Rumanian public debt, about £32,000,000 have been borrowed from the Berlin banks, and to day the State of Rumania is paying £2,000,000 interest and annuities to the Germans. As most of the capital borrowed in Germany has gone to pay for war and other material manufactured in Germany, not a cent has entered the country and as a Rumanian puts it, the payment of these two millions is an annual tribute paid to Germany.

Telegraph Lines.

The Post and Telegraph Department reports that Tavoy line is not properly working between Bangkok and Tavoy. Malay Peninsula main line is crossing between Surahitradhani and Nagor Sridhanuraj. Nongai line is interrupted between Korat and Makhaung. Other lines are available.

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