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#### Russo-Rumanians Nearing Main Defences.

London, Jan. 11 .- The Russo-Rumanians are falling back stoutly resisting and retarding the progress of the enemy through difficult country.

The Times correspondent at Ruma-nian headquarters, telegraphing on the Sth, says that the Allies are slowly retiring to their main line of defence on the Sereth, which has been strongly fortified during recent weeks.

"The German assertions that they captured the Predeal army in November reached here only yesterday. I witnessed the retreat of the whole army from the Carpathians under General Averescu. It kept in contact with the enemy the whole time. It lost guns, which were destroyed, and sacrificed rearguards, but the remainder of the army joined the Bucharest divi-sions and is still fighting."

London, Jan. 11.-Wireless German Official. The Austro-Germans won a success between the Uz and Susita valleys. We stormed heights north of the Oituz road and captured 800 men

near Marasti-Racoasa, London, Jan. 11.-Wireless Russian Official. The enemy captured two heights north of the Oituz. The Rumanians fell back south east of Mokestirka Kachinul and also north-east of Kempulledesus. The enemy crossed the Putna north of Focsani. Our counter-attack threw him back with heavy losses.

# More British Raids.

London, Jan. 11.—The French commaniqué says: An enemy attack at Bolede Carrieres, on the right bank of the Meuse, was repulsed with serious enemy l sses.

London, Jan. 11 .- Wireless German Official. We repulsed an attack with heavy losses north of Ypres and drove out the British, who had penetrated on a narrow front. The enemy occupied a salient trench near Beaumont Hamel.

London, Jan. 12.- Marshal Haig reports: We captured three-quarters of a mile of trench north eastward of Beaumont Hamel, with 176 prisoners. The counter-attack was broken up. There were successful raids to the eastward of Armentieres, north eastward of Ypres, and two in the neighbourhood of Grandcourt.

London, Jan. 12.—Reuters correspondent at headquarters states that the fighting on Wednesday and Thursday near Beaumont Hamel, was an interesting departure in trench-raiding. It aimed at the mastery of positions and the damaging of the morale of an enemy expectant of a respite. Bad weather resulted in depriving the enemy of observation over a large area of our position. We captured 300 Bavarian and Prussian prisoners. Whirlwind bombardments preceded the infantry

#### Jellicoe on the 'Blockade.

London, Jan. 12 .- Admiral Jellicor, receiving the freedom from the fishmongers of the city, in a speech dwelt on the difficulties of naval warfare, as torpedoing was effective at 10,000 yards, beyond which visibility was bad, especially in the North Sea. Submarines, combined with mines, prevented a close blockade. Nevertheless the Germans had only once ventured out far enough to fight.

He referred to the world wide activities of the navy, which comprised 4,000 vessels, and drew attention to the arduous work of the Home cruisersquadron, which examined a weekly average of eighty ships in all weathers. He paid tribute to the co-operation of the mercantile marine. Seven million men had been transported oversea, together with guns, munitions and stores; 2,500 mercantile skippers were employed.

The submarine menace was greater than ever, but must and will be dealt with. He appealed to shipbuilding workers for their most energetic efforts to replace the losses of the mercantile marine.

# Conserving Tonnage.

London, Jan. 11.-A new regulation under the Defence of the Realm Act relates to chartering to and from British ports. In view of the closer coordination of the Allies in the employment of tonnage, similar regulations are being adopted in France and Italy. The permission of the national authority of each country will henceforth be necessary before tonnage can be chartered.

# Macedonian Struggle.

London, Jan. 11.-The French Macedonian communique says that the artillery duel is increasing on the whole front, particularly in the Sturma region, at Makova and Monastir. Effective Anglo-French aeroplane bombardments were carried out on military establishments and camps.

London, Jan. 11.—Italian Official. We have occupied Gremeni, in the Koritxa area of Albania.

# Russian Politics.

Petrograd, Jan. 12.-The new Premier is Prince Nicholas Golitzine, of the extreme right, and not his distant relative Prince Alexandar Golfizin, who spoke in the Council of Empire on Dec. 6 denouncing the dark forces

London, Jan. 11.-The death has occurred of Count Benckendorff, Russian Minister to Great Britain.

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# Theebaw and Burma.

The death of King Theebaw of Burma is a reminder of the distance travelled since the days when the condition of the frontier States was the constant pre-occupation of the Government of India and the intentions of two great Powers subject to incessant suspicion. The year in which King Theebaw decided finally to measure his strength with the Government of Lord Dufferin was also the year of the Panjdeh incident on the North-western frontier. Within the space of six or eight short weeks the Viceroy, who was new to the country, was confronted with two first class problems on his treatment of either of which depended the question of peace or war between Great Britain and a first class European Power. His handling of the Panjdeh affair and the final delimitation of the outer Afghan frontier that resulted from it made possible twenty years later the conclusion of that Anglo-Russian Agreement which has been of such incalculable value to Great Britain in her struggle against German hegemony in Europe. His settlement of the Burma question was of hardly less value in securing for Great Britain the respect of France. It needed another frontier incident at Fashoda nearly twenty years later to make possible the stable understanding which has dated from 1904, but undoubtedly Lord Dufferin's firm attitude towards King Theebaw's coquetry with France and that sovereign's truculence towards British subjects did much to develop the esteem which ripened after Fashoda into the comradeship in arms that is producing its fruits to-day. Lord Dufferin's actions in Burma was, indeed, a perfect example of that directness which formerly was so characteristic of, and to-day is often so alien from, the handling of British policy where great issues are concern. ed. The news that Theebaw had executed a treaty with France, granting exclusive privileges to French subjects. was received in February 1885 -almost simultaneously with the grave news from the North-western frontier. The imposition of a ruinous fine on the Burma-Trading Corporation followed. Before October was out General Preudergast had concentrated 10,000 troops in Rangoon. An ultimatum to Thee-baw followed. On its rejection the march north to Mandalay began and ten days later Mandalay was in British occupation and King Theebaw a prisoner. The decision as to whether Burma should become a protected buffer State on the analogy of Afghanistan, or be converted into an Indian Native State, or be finally incorporated in the Indian Empire was taken with equal resolution by Lord Dufferin. To settle the difficult point the Viceroy proceeded in person to the newly conquered capital of Upper Burma. He reached Mandalay within three months of General Prendergast, although Indian travel was at that time something other than the process of to-day. For considerations that were almost irresis tible it was decided to annex Burma. The proposal was pressed on the Secretary of State with satisfactory results, and the long and costly process of pacifying the country was commenced. By the time Lord Dufferin left India Sir Charles Bernard and Lord Roberts had succeeded in tranquilising and uniting indissolubly to the British Crown un area larger than France. Some idea of the difficulties the Administration had to face may be gained from the Viceroy's own dispatches. He described the Burmese of the day as " a population of inveterate gang robbers who have been reinforced by a disbanded army and the adherents of numerous preter dere, who inhabit a country covered with jungles and swamps, destitute not only of roads, but even of paths and of the simplest means of communication, and whom we are forced to control through the agency of a foreign police who neither speak their language nor are acquainted with their habits and

devices." It is out of such unpromising material that, in the course of King Theebaw's own, life, the province has been constructed over which Sir Harcourt Butler rules to-day and from which Lord Chelmsford will shortly return to Calcutta. As has been made more than ever apparent by the Viceroy's speeches, the population is now prosperous and contented and the country awaits nothing but a fair opportunity of peaceful development to become one of the wealthiest and most progressive tracts in the British Empire.—Calcutta States-

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Le Directeur. : 19--22

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"In the matter of the Estate of the late John Ewen Dalgleish Esq."

"Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against, or owing money to, the above John Ewen Dalgleish Esq., who died at Chiengmai on the 13th January 1917 should communicate with the Borneo Company Limited, Chiengmai, on or before the 31st March 1917, after which date no claims against the deceased's Estate will be entertained."

19. J. e.o.d. 28 F.

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# Great War.

# Falkenhayn in Greece.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Jan. 18. Salonika.-Gen. Falkenhayn has landed from a submarine somewhere on the Greek coast from whence be proceed to Larissa.

# Russo-Rumanian Advance.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM) London, Jan. 18.

Wireless. Russian Official:-The Russians and Rumanians advanced two versts southwards from Pralea. The Rumanians also beat back two night attacks southward of Rekosa on the Sushitza.

In the region of Brathov on the Danube we bombed enemy vessels.

One of our submarines sank two ships near the Bosphorus.

# The Italian Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM) London, Jan. 16.

An Italian official report says that there is increased enemy artillery activity in the Carso and east of Gorizia.

# Report From Mesopotamia.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, Jan. 16.

An official report from Mesopotamia says "We made progress eastward and westward of Kut-el-Amara, and ex cept a small area north-east of Kut-el-Amara, the whole right bank east of Shattalhai has been cleared of the

# The Tsukuba Explosion.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Jan. 16. Tokio.—It is estimated that there were four hundred casualties in the explosion of the magazine of the battle cruiser Tsukuba. At the time of the explosion the vessel was achored in harbour at Yokohama.

# Havas Telegram.

Paris, Jan. 17.

The Council adopted the text of the new order for the revision of exempted and rejected men, dispensing with a fresh medical examination for the rejected men of class No 1, the army territorial reserve to class 1892 and previous units.

On the occasion of the gift of 1/2 million by Indo-China, Monsieur Thomas expressed to the Minister for the Colonies his recognition of the fresh proof of the attachment of the colony to the Metropolis, and tendered his thanks to the Indo-Chinese population for their patriotic contribution to the national defense funds.

# Sports Club Football.

# Pollard- Cup,

To be played to-morrow (Saturday) England v. Denmark. Denmark.

Plinius. Larsen. Bagger, Von Holck, Obsen, Thune, Rasmussen, Dalegaard, Gronemann, Fogtmann, Glahnson.

Cranmer, H.E. Jones, Owen, Colby, Walsh, Plowden, Le May, Halls,

Preston, Fitzgerald, Jenkins. England.

Referee: D. Robertson.

Kick off at 4.30 pm. There will be a General Meeting of the Football section after this match.

# More Bomb Plots.

San Francisco, Jan. 11.—The Federal | Passengers Jury has convicted the German Consul General, the vice-Consul, a lieutenant and two others, including a woman, of plotting to blow up munition works, railway bridges, trains and munition ships.

# LOCAL AND GENERAL.

INTERESTING telegrams appear on

THE Borneo Co., Ltd. have a new notice to consignees.

A NOTICE appears re claims against the estate of the late John Ewen Dalgleish Esq.

THE Programme for the Second Meeting of the Royal Tuef Club of Siam appears in our advertising columns.

MRS. P. Ulrich begs to thank all those who attended the funeral of her . husband, the late Mr. P. Ulrich, and . those who sent wreaths and messages of condolence.

THE s.s. Katong will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf at 4 p.m. sharp, on Saturday the 20th inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Wednesday daylight.

THE Annual Sports of the Bangkok Christian College takes place to morrow (Saturday) at 2 p.m. on the College grounds. Parents of pupils and all well-wishers of the institution are invited to attend the function.

--:0:--OUR Singapore correspondent cables us news of the death yesterday of Mr. A. W. Gooneratne the Chancellor of the Siamese Consulate General at Singapore. Many Siamese who had occasion to pass through Singapore will read of his death with regret.

NEW advts. Bear Brand Milk—
"The richest of all tinned Milks tasted" is obtainable in the stores and dispensaries. The Annual stock-taking sale at Whiteaway Laidlaw and Co., Ltd. begins on Monday January 22nd. All The Local Exchange banks will be closed on 23rd, 24th, and 25th inst. on account of the Chinese New Year, and the Oriental Store will be closed from 3 p.m. on Monday the 22nd till Thursday morning the 25th. The offices and factories of the B. M. C. Ltd. will be partially closed on Tuesday and Wednesday the 23rd and 24th inst. and on those days no deliveries except the regular supplies of ice will be made. Fraser and Neave Ltd. will close from 1 p.m. on Monday the 22nd till the morning of Thursday the 25th

# The Late Mr. Dalgleish,

Our Chiengmai correspondent under date January 13 writes as follows :--

It is with great sorrow that I have to tell you of the death of Mr. Dalgleish of the Borneo Company this morning just before nine o'clock. I do not exactly know the cause of death but the early symptoms resembled those of ptomaine poisoning. It has been a great shock to us all, for until two days ago, Mr. Dalgleish had appeared in much better health and had keenly taken part in the X'mas games. It was not until yesterday afternoon that the symptoms became alarming. Everything possible was done, Doctors Cort and Mason being in attendance. Happily, Mr. Dalgleish did not suffer much pain. The funeral will take to-day at 4.30 pim.

# Racing Notes.

The Royal Turf Club, of Siam has, I learn, practically decided upon a programme for its second meeting which will take place on the 3rd, 6th and 10th March next. The Committee has not yet decided upon having or

dispensing with a Bookmaker. I hear the Racing Sub-Committee of the Sports Club has definitely declared against a Bookmaker. In such case I think the lottery rules should be revised so that, as in the Straits, an owner may have the right to claim a quarter, one-half or two-thirds of bis

The Totalizator and Pari-Mutuel Rules will also, I think, have to be taken in hand at once. The Straits rule that the pool shall not be divided until 15 minutes shall have elapsed after weighing in would prevent such occurrences as at the last R. B. S. C. meeting when a total outsider first past past the post was paid a very big dividend and later disqualified. The rule first past the post for the tote is to my mind very wrong and may lead to mal-practice. Again, the rule that tickets may be presented not later than noon on the following day might well be incorporated. If an owner buys 200 ticals worth of tickets in any race and his horse wins at 10 to 1 it would be inconvenient to walk about with pockets bulging with small banknotes.

# Railway Traffic Receipts.

Month of December. Broad gauge (946 klm.)

Approximate Actual Year 2459 Year 2458. 177000. 164000. 162176. Others 5700. 6993. Total 346700. 358069.

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Total from April

to December

# British Legation Telegrams.

( British Legation telegrams are not to be regarded as official communiqués from His " Britannic Majesty's Representative, unless they are marked "official.")

# The Allied Reply to President Wilson.

(Unofficial.)

London, Jan. 18. First. The Allied reply to President Wilson's note welcomes the spirit animating his communication and after supporting the proposal to create a league of nations to assure universal peace and justice expresses the view that it is impossible presently to obtain a peace which not only secured the reparation, restitution and guarantees due through the central Empires guilty acts of aggression but also enables the future of European nations to be established on a sure foundation.

Second. The reply of the Allies regret that they must disclaim responsibility for the losses and suffering entailed on neutrals, as they nowise provoked the War and feel it their duty to challenge in the friendliest but clearest way the analogy drawn between the opposing belligerent, which directly conflicts with the evidence. History has clearly established one fact, namely the calculated policy of aggression whereby Austro Germany sought to ensure the hegemony of Europe and a universal economic domination.

Third. The reply states that by the de claration of war and instant violations of Belgium and Luxemburg the methods of warfare of Germany proved that she systematically scorns every principle of humanity and respect due to small States.

The reply proceeds to set out a further series of enemy crimes and recalls the horrors marking the invasion of Belgium and Serbia and the atrocions treatment they are undergoing, the massacres of hundreds of thousands of inoffensive Armenians, the barbarities in Syria, the Zeppelin raids on open towns, the submarining of liners and shipping including those of neutrals, the cruel treatment of war prisoners, the judicial murders of Miss Cavell and Capt. Fryatt, the deportation and enslavement of civil populations, etc.

Fourth :- The reply states that such a catalogue of crimes explains the Allied protest at the analogy.

The Allies find no difficulty in meeting Wilson's request to state their war aims, these being only formulable in detail, with all just compensations and indemnities for losses, when the moment for negotiation ar-! rives but are well known to nclude primarily and necessarily the restoration of Belgium, Serbia and Montenegro, the evacuation of invaded France, Russia and Rumania and the reoganisation of Europe upon the right which all people have to the enjoyment of full security for free economic development, also upon territorial agreements and international arrangements framed to guarantee land and sea frontiers against unjust attacks.

Fifth.-The reply aims at the continued restitution of provinces and eterritories formerly torn from the Allies forcibly or contrary to the inhabitants' wishes, the liberation of Italians, Slave, Rumanians, Czechs and and possibly some German reinforce-Slovaks from foreign domination, the liberation of peoples lying beneath the murderous tyranny of the Turks, the expulsion from Europe of the Ottoman Empire, which has proved itself radically alien to western civilisation. The Tsar's intentions in regard to Poland are shown by the proclamation just addressed to the Russian Armies.

Sixth and last. The Allies disclaim the intention to exterminate politically or to extinguish Germany though wishing to rescue Europe from the brutal encroachments of Prussian militarism. The reply concludes that the Allies are determined to endure every sacrifice in order to press to a victorious close the conflict when on depends their own safety and the prosperity and very future of civilisation.

# Persia's Oil Treasures.

London, Jan. 8.—At the meeting of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, Mr. Greenway said that the result of the year was satisfactory, considering the war. German attempts to induce Persia to depart from neutrality had been completely broken down and the German agents completely discredited, being either cleared out or forced to take refuge with the Turks. The relations between the Company and the Persian Government were most cordial. Despite difficulties considerable progress has been made with the new pipe lines, and there was further cyidence of the extraordinary richness and extent of the oilfields of Persia. and extent of the oilfields of Fersia, to discuss peace. It will be published By acquiring two thirds of the interest in France forty-eight hours after Preof the Company the Imperial Govern- sident Wilson has received it. ment secured for the nation an enor. Paris, Jan. 10.-M. Briand this aftersafeguard against monopoly.

# Russian Coup.

London, Jan. 9.-Wireless. Russian Official We threw back an enemy offensive west of Riga and captured an island in the western Dvina river, north of Dvinsk, with seven machineguns and four trench-mortars.

London, Jan. 9.—Wireless. German Official. In a heavy snowstorm the Russians re-captured Glandon island, north of Illuxt. An attempt against the west bank of the Dvina failed.

London, Jan. 9.—Wireless. Russian Official. We defeated attacks south of the Oituz river. The Rumanians fell back six versts west of Monastir-Kachinal on the Kasino river. We took up new positions on the line of the Putna and Sereth rivers.

London, Jan. 10.—The Dvina island captured by the Russians is about 100 miles south east of Riga.

Momentous Possibilities.

A German communique speaks of Russian raids in the vicinity of Freidrichstadt, 50 miles east of Mitau. Hence the apparent renewed Russian activity in the north extends along a front of approximately 150 miles, including important strategic positions, of which Mitau is the most important as a depot for stores and the junction of many railways and roads. It is situated on the navigable As river.

It was a German attack which developed into the important Russian counter-offensive, which has already brought the Russians a dozen miles tewards Mitau.

The positions which they captured between the western extremity of lake Babit and the village of Kalnzem, north-west of Mitau, were strongly fortified, in tiers a considerable height above the flat country. Their conquest directly menaces Mitan.

Tenacious Defence in Rumania.

London, Jan. 9.-Wireless German The enemy is tenaciously defending the valleys in the Bereczk mountains into the Moldavian plain. We are step by step advancing. We stormed positions on the both sides of the Casina and Susita valleys. We reached the Putna sector. The enemy is holding a new position outhe opposite bank. We drove back the Russians to the Crangeni-Nanesti line and stormed Garleaska. Yesterday's captures now total 99 officers, 5,000 men and three guns.

The Booty of Braila,

London, Jan. 9.-Wireless and Austrian message says: The enemy was driven back south-east of Focsani to the mouth of the Rimnic Sarat river.

Amsterdam, Jan. 9.—German correspondents claim that three hundred waggon loads of grain were captured at Braila. They confirm the reports that the factories have been destroyed and say that most of the population re-

# Greece Submits.

London, Jan, 10.—The Allied ultimatum to Greece expires about mid-

Paris, Jan. 10 .- A. Piraeus telegram says: It is anticipated that King Constantine will yield, but at first will merely undertake to liberate Venizelists and re-establish the Allied con-

Athens, Jan. 11.—Greece last even. ing replied accepting the Entente's ultimatum.

Bulgaro-Germans Hopeful.

Salonika, Jan. 10.-Everything indicates energetic enemy action at Monastir, where it is reported that a Bulgarian regiment has arrived from the Dobrudja and the remainder of the division is coming, besides an Austrian regiment from Kalkandeli. The principal object of the enemy will be to support King Constantine, ments will attempt to work south round lake Ochrida in order to join Constantine's forces.

No Salonika Withdrawal.

Paris, Jan. 10.-A Rome telegram says that a complete agreement was reached at the Conference on the question of Macedonia. The Salonika front has lost none of its impor-

# Switzerland Prepared.

Paris, Jan. 9.—General Wille, the Swiss Commander in Chief, in an inhad assured Switzerland she would not invade her, but in the event of an invasion the Swiss army would act in close conjunction with the adversaries of her enemies whose entry on the side of Switzerland would so to speak be automatic.

Washington, Jan. 10:- President Wilson has personally thanked the Swiss Minister for Switzerland's offer replaced. to co-operate in a Peace Note.

# Allies Reply to U.S. Note

London, Jan. 10.-Renter undersands that the Allies' reply to President Wilson's Note will be delivered to the American Ambassador in Paris today or to morrow. It is a fairly long document, and there is reason to believe that it will indicate generally the erously sheltering. terms on which the Allies are prepared

mously valuable asset, while affording noon handed to the American Ambus-British consumers the most valuable sador the Allies' reply to President Wilson's Peace Note.

# A Paris Alarm.

Paris, Jan. 12.—On reports from the front that Zeppelins and aeroplanes were proceeding southward, bugles sounded the alarm in Paris, and all lights were extinguished at seven o'clock in the evening, but the end of the alarm was signalled at eight o'clock, the Zeppelins not appearing.

# British Trade Energy

London, Jan. 10.—The advisory commitee of the Board of Trade on Commercial Intelligence, Mr. Albert Stanley presiding, considered the proposals for a large extension of the trade commissioner service in the British Dominions. Also commercial missions and other matters relating to the organisation of British overseas trade.

# A Threat From Turkey.

Amsterdam, Jan. 10 .- A Constantinople wire says that the Sultan, in a proclamation to the troops, regrets that the humanitarian proposal of peace negotiations has been disdainfully rejected by the Entente, who are therefore responsible for the continuance of bloodshed. Henceforth, with their Allies, the Turks will redouble their efforts to achieve a final victory.

# The Rome Conference.

Rome, Jan. 9 .- Mr. Lloyd George was the central figure at the Conference. Italian papers state that he suggested it at the end of December. The arrangements were completed in a few days, evidencing the determination of the Allies to act most rapidly.

M. Briand, interviewed, said that the Conference was necessary to clear up difficulties of detail which had cropped up since the last Conference. These, and attempts to confuse the i-sues and disturb the relations of the Allies, were settled most satisfactorily.

# Digging Up the Parks.

London, Jan. 10.—The King has consented to the immediate ploughing up of several hundred acres of Richmond and Bushey parks for the cultivation of cereal and fodder crops, with the object of increasing food supplies. Allotments have also been selected in Kensington Gardens and Hyde and Regent's parks, which are publicly easily reached for cultivation by the Park Staffs of vegetables suited to the London soil and atmospheric conditions. A responsible person will indtruct enquirers.

# Record War Loan.

London, Jan. 9 Secrecy is main-tained regarding the War Loan, but it is undoubted that there will be two distinct issues, one long dated and one short dated and free of income tax. Probably the big banks will be invited to co-operate in affording novel facilities for would-be investors by advances for immediate purchase. The issue has been postponed to Jan. A meeting for furtherauce of the success of the Loan will be held at the Guildhall on Jan, 11. Mr. Bonar Law, and Mr. McKenna will be the speakers. Members of the Cabinet will also

speak at leading provincial centres.

# Submarine Warfare.

London, Jan. 9.-Sinking: Steamers Laupar and Hansi (Norwegian) and three sailing ships.

London, Jan. 10.—Sinkings: Steamers Lesbian (British) Alphonse Conseil (French), Chinto Maru (Japa-nese), Borgholm and Markland (Norwegian). Captain Fry, of the Lesbian was taken prisoner by the Germans. The Norwegian steamer Lupus and the Danish, Sevend, both bound for England, have been seized by the Germans and taken to Hamburg and Swinemunde respectively.

London Jan. 11.—Sinkings: Steamers Baynesk, Lynfield, Andons (British) and Fernebo (Swedish).

# Spain, Angry With Germany.

Madrid, Jan. 10 .- The fact that the Cabinet is remaining in office after receiving an assurance of the King's: terview at Cerne, stated that Germany; confidence demonstrates that Spanish pride has revolted against German pressure. All parties have cominternational matter.

Madrid, Jan. 10.—Sr. Romanones declared in the Senate that he would never resign under foreign pressure.

Madrid, Jan. 10.—It is reported that the German ambassador will shortly be

# Reprisals Advocated.

Paris, Jan. 10.—Le Temps correspondent at Madrid says that Sr. Alvarez, head of the Reform Party, referring to the torpedoing of Spanish steamers, said that Spain ought to adopt energetic messures. The Government ought to decree an embargo on German vessels taking refuge in Spanish ports and to cut off the grants enjoyed by thousands of strangers whom Spain is gen-

# Telegraph Lines.

The Post and Telegraph Department reports that Tavoy line is not properly working between Rangoon and Bangkok. Other lines are available.

# The Russian Blow.

Petrograd, Jan 9.-The Russians have cap ured a thousand prisoners and a score of guns, including heavies, south-west of Riga.

London, Jan. 10.-Wireless, Russian Official. The battle west of Riga continues. We captured a position between the Tirul marsh and the river Aa. Since January 5 we have captured twenty one heavy and eleven light guns.

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# SECOND DAY (March 6th).

1 Siam Ponies (Subs. Griff.) 5 f. Prize 250 tcs. (Open) 5 f. 3 Aust. (Open) 41 f. .. (R.B.S.C. Griff. 41 f. " (Subs. Griff.) 6 f. " (Open) 6 f. 7 Aust. (Open) 6 f.

# THIRD DAY (March 10th).

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Griff.) 6 f.

1 Siam Ponies (Subs. Griff.) 1 m. Prize 250 tcs. (Open) 1 m. and distance Cup & 200 tes. 100 for 2nd 3 Aust. (R.B.S.C. Griff.) 1 m. Prize 250 tcs. (Open) 1 m and distance Cup & 200 tes. 100 for 2nd 5 Siam (Subs. Griff.) Consolation 41 f. Prize 250 tcs. (Open) Consolation 5 f. Prize 250 tcs. 7 Aust. " (R.B.S.C. Griff.) Consolation 5 f. Prize 250 tcs. (Open) Consolation 5 f. Prize 250 tcs.

N.B.-1 All races are handicaps 2 Entry fee 15 tcs. in all races. 3 Top Weight in handicaps for Aust Ponies not to exceed 12 Stone.

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#### Loan Meeting.

London, Jan 11.—The Guildhall was crowded for the Losn meeting and Mr. Lloyd George had a great reception on arriving

arriving.

Mr. Bonar Law warned the meeting that the future rate of interest for war money would be limited, and he forecasted that it would not be higher than the present interest. If the loan should fail, which it would not, other methods could be applied and the rate would not be 5½ per cent then. (Laughter.) In his conclusion he declared that the German war-machine was visibly crumbling.

was visibly crumbling.

Mr. Lloyd George declared that the Kaiser, in order to drug those whom he could not dragoon, had told his people that the Allies rejected Germany's peace terms. We had not seen any peace terms. We all wanted peace, but it must be a roal peace. The Allies at the Rome Conference were under no delusion as to the 'magnitude of their task, nor were they doubtful as to the result. (Cheers.) The whole situation was there probed and the difficulties faced and efforts made to deal with them. The Allies felt that if victory was difficult, defeat was impossible. (Cheers.)

#### Victory in 1917,

There was a grim resolution to rid the world for ever of the menace of the Prussian military castle, and to save Europe from an unspeakable despotism, (Cheers.) The Allies were more and more looking to Britain and and he was confident that that trust was not misplaced. Our Navy would continue to strangle enemy commerce, despite piratical devices (cheers), while with proper support our gallant armies would cleave a road to victory in 1917, (Loud cheers.) A successful Loan would shorten the war and save lives, and save the British Empire, Europe and Civilisation. (Cheers.) The Prussian menace at present constituted a running mortgage which detracted from our national security. Let us clear off that mortgage for ever and in future let the nations combine to punish the first peacebreaker. (Continued

We had made it clear in reply to Germany, and still clearer in our reply to the United States, that war is preferable to peace at the Pression price. He emphasised that there was no flinching, no wavering, no faintheartedness, but uniformity of purpose at the Rome Conference, and only a grim determination at achieve the high end for which we accepted the Pressian challenge and to rid Europe for ever of this menace. (Cheers.) Before we rebuild the temple of peace we must see that the foundations are

#### Britain's Proud Achievement

The British Armies to-day in the matter of training and equipment are more formidable there ever. I do not known a nation that dare touch us after the war. They have forgotten what we were like in the old days, but it will take them a long time to forget this lesson. (Cheers.) Germany is pressing back the Russo-Rumanians not because she is a better fighter but because she is better equipped. Let us equip the Rumanians and there would be another story. (Cheers.)

I want to see your cheques hurtling through the air to the enemy entrenchments. Every well directed cheque properly primed is more formidable than a twelve-inch shell. It clears a path through the barted-wire. Don't let us squander money on luxurious indugences; put it there and help our soldiers. The more we get the shorter will be the war.

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# Central Powers' Plight.

#### Germany's Note to Neutrals.

Amsterdam, Jan. 12.—A wire from Berlin says that a Note has been handed to the neutrals' representatives, indicating Germany's view of the situation owing to the enemy reply to the peace proposals.

New York, Jan. 12—Germany, in

New York, Jan. 12—Germany, in the Note to neutrals relative to the Entente's reply to the peace offering, says that the form of the reply excludes an answer, but Germany considers it important to express an opinion on the situation to neutrals, and declares that there is no reason to discuss the origin of the war, but appeals to the verdict of history.

Austria is Difficulties.

London, Jan. 11.—Austria-Hungary's military and economic difficulties are indicated by significant conferences of the Emperor Charles. At Austrian headquarters on Tuesday he gave audience to the Bulgarian Crown Prince, the Archdukes Karl Stefani and Albrecht Czernin, the German military plenipotentiary, the military Governor of Lubin, the War Minister, and M. Tarnowski, ambassador to the United States. The Archduke Czernin yesterday presided at an eight hour economic conference at Vienna at which all the Austrian and Hungarian ministers were present.

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# Allies' Terms.

# Dignified Reply to U. S. Note.

London, Jan. 11.—The "Times" says that it is understood that the British delegates at the Rome Conference regard it as the most satisfactory of the Allied War Councils, marking an ad-

vance towards unity of action.

London, Jan. 11—The Daily Mail

84y8 that Sir W. Robertson, General Sir G. E Milne, Sir Francis Elliot, British Minister at Athens, and Earl Granville attended the Rome Conference.

London, Jan. 11.—Forecasts of the Allies' reply to President Wilson's Note are published. They describe it as differing considerably from the reply to Germany, being conceived in the frankest and most cordial spirit and addressed to the American people equally with President Wilson. It emphasises that the principle of na- nomic development, also upon territionalities must be fully carried out if a torial agreements and international league to enforce peace is ever to be arrangements framed to guarantee land practicable. Paris, Jan. 11 .- M. Briand has also i tacks.

handed to the American Ambassador a Also the restitution of the provinces thanking the American Government inhabitants wishes, the liberation of fortunate Belgian people.

Wilson's Analogy Repudiated. to President Wilson's Note welcomes the spirit animating the communication. After supporting the proposal to create a league of the nation to assure universal peace and justice, it expresses the view that it is impossible at present to obtain a peace which not only will secure reparation.

restitution and guarantees due through the Central Empires' guilty act of augression, but also will enable the future of European nations to be established on a sure foundation.

The Allies regret and disclaim the responsibility for the losses and suffering entailed upon neutrals, as they in nowise provoked the war. They feel it their duty to challenge in the most friendly but clearest way the analogy drawn between the opposing belligerents, which directly conflicts with the evidence of history, which has clearly established one fact, namely, the calculated policy of aggression by which Austria and Germany sought to ensure the begemony of Europe and universal economic domination.

By the declaration of war and the instant violation of Belgium and Luxemburg, the methods of warfare of Germany proved that that country systematically scorns every principle of humanity and respect due to small

The reply proceeds to set out a fur-ther series of enemy crimes, recalls the horrors marking the invasion of Belgium and Serbia, the atrocious freatment they are undergoing, the mass tcres of hundreds of thousands of inoffensive Armenians, barbarlties in-

Syria, Zeppelin raids on open towns, submarining of liners and shipping, including neutral ships, cruel treatment of war prisoners, the judicial marders of Miss Cavell and Capt Fryatt, the deportation and enslavement of civil populations, etcetera. Such a catalogue of crimes explains

the Allied protest at the analogy. First Essentials of Peace.

The Allies do not find any difficulty in meeting President Wilson's request to state their war sims. These can only l - formula ed in detail, with all just compensations and indemnities for losses, when the men and formation arrives, but as is well known they include, primarily and necessarily, the restoration of Belgiam, solitioned Montenegro, the evacuation of the invaded parts of France, Russia and Rumania, the resignals to not Europe o) the right of all peoples to have enjoyment of full security and free ecoand sea frontiers against unjust at-

Note from the Belgian Government, and territories formerly torn from adhering to the reply of the Allies and I the Allies, forc bly or contrary to the for theingenerous services to the un- I alians, Siave Rumaniane, Czechs and Slovks from foreign domination, the liberation of the peoples lying beneath London, Jan. 11.—The Allied reply | the murderous tyranny of the Turks, and the expulsion from Europe of the Octoman Empire, which has proved itself radically alien to western civilisation. The Tear's intentions regarding Poland are shown in the proleamation which he has just addressed to his armies.

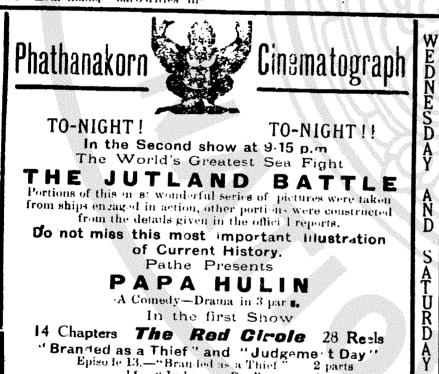
#### The will to Victory.

The Allies disclaim any intention to exterminate or politically extinguish the Germanics, though wishing to rescue Europe from the brutal encroachments of Prussian militarism. The reply concludes. The Allies are determined to endure every sacrifice in order to press to a victorious close a conflict on which depend our own safety and prosperity, and the very future of civilisa-

London, Jan. 12.—The Allies' reply to President Wilson's Note is described as an impressive and historic document. The papers are of opinion that its courteous and friendly tone, close reasoning and lofty ideals are bound to be approved by the American people, who will contrast the frank avowal of the Allies objects with Germany's curt refusal to give President Wilson the information for which he asked.

# German Casualties.

London, Jan. 11 - Casualties: The official German lists for December (casualties not necessarily incurred in December) show 88,291, of whom 15,160 were killed.



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# Wilson Much-Impressed.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.) Singapore, Jan. 16.

It is stated that President Wilson is much impressed with the frankness and courtesy shown in the reply of the Allies. It is considered that the new German Note only strengthens this good impression in favour of the Allies.

# Items of Interest.

London, Jan. 10.—The death has occurred of Mr. J. E. O'Connor, of India.

London, Jan. 12.—Sinkings: The steamers Hudworth and Kelvindale (British.)

London, Jan. 11.—The cables are exceptionally blocked. Positive orders have been issued here to curtail news messages to the absolute minimum.

London, Jan. 11.—Seven million Egyptian eggs have reached London, and are reported to be selling at a penny three farthings each. Supplies from America are the largest for months.

London, Jan. 11.—Mesopotamia Official: We captured on Wednesday the majority of the trenches in the loop north eastward of Kut. Two hundred corpses were found in one communication trench and many elsewhere.

New York, Jan. 11.—The Chicago Herald says that Sir T. Shaughnessey, President of the Canadian Pacific, is returning to England in two months, having been chosen to try and solve the Irish problem.

London, Jan. 12.—Lord Devonport has ordered that a larger proportion of flour be extracted from wheat or the addition of barley, maize, rice and cats to flour. He has prohibited the feeding of game with grain, and has fixed maximum prices for sweets and potators.

The Hague, Jan. 10.—A neutral eyewitness declares that there have been three incendiary fires at the Zeppelin sheds at Kiel in the last five weeks. The latest destroyed two new Zeppelins and twenty-four aeroplanes. Five carbonised bodies were found, of whom two are described in local papers as being those of British spies.



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A Big Gun Going Up.

# British Warship Sunk.

#### Submarined in Mediterranean

London, Jan. 11.—The Admiralty reports that H.M.S. Cornwallis was submarined and sunk in the Mediterranean on Tuesday. Thirteen men are missing. The scaplane carrier Ben-My Chree was sunk by gunfire at Kastelorizo, in Asia Minor, to-day. One officer and four men were wounded.

[The Cornwallis was a battleship of 14,000 tons, built in 1901, and her complement was 750. The Ben-My-Chree is probably the steamer that in times of peace plied for holiday traffic between Liverpool and the Isle of Man. Many will have pleasant memories of her.]

# Switzerland's Fears.

London, Jan. 10.—The Daily News correspondent at Lausanne says that despite German denials the Swiss are pre-occupied with the possibility of a German invasion as a desperate effort to secure peace in three months by a smashing blow in the west. Three possibilities are discussed: First an expedition against Italy from Austria, through St. Gothard; second an expedition from Germany via Porrentruy threatening Belfort; third an expedition from Germany via Schauffhausen threatening the industrial heart of France. Swiss military authorities consider that a simultaneous attack on all three points is the most possible.

# Anzacs' Signal Success.

London, Jan. 11.-Egypt Official. We captured on Thuesday a strong position of six lines of entrenchments, with six main redoubts and a central keep, covering Rafa, north-east of el Arish. The Anzac mounted infantry and Imperial Camel-Corps attacked the position and carried it after an all day fight. After the engagement the Turkish reliefs were encountered and entirely destroyed four miles from Rafa. Further details later states that the British took 1,600 prisoners and captured four mountain guns. The enemy killed and wounded in our hands total 600.

# The Advance On Mitau.

London, Jan. 11.—Wireless Russian Official. Fighting continues south of Lake Babit. We captured a village east of Kalneem.

Petrograd, Jan. 12. - The Bulgarian Doitriefen commands the Russians who are advancing on Mitau. The announcement of his capture of twenty-one heavy and eleven field-guns and much stores has led to a long and unprecedented demonstration in the streets of Petrograd.

Prisoners report that a panic occurred in Mitau following on an aeroplane bombardment. Two Zeppelins attacked Riga, but were driven off, one being reported to have been destroyed.

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