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Petrograd in War Time.

Attitude of Russian Masses to Germany.

The Petrograd correspondent of the Rotterdamsche Courant · Nieuwa

writes :-Count Leo Tolstoi in one of his books has given a remarkable picture of life in Russia at the time of Napoleon's invasion, in 1812. Social life in Petrograd went on as usual, whilst the events that shook the world to its foundations, ware hardly noticed in

the provinces. "The historian of the future, who describes the rôle played by Russia in the present war, will hardly be able to say the same of the position as it is now. The closing of the two chief gates of import, the Black Sea and the Baltic, the backwardness of home industry and the lack of technical experts, the inadequacy of the means of communication in the interior, the millions of refugees, from Poland and other regions, all these factors have contributed sorts of economic questions, that have nothing to do with the war proper, the actual operations, occupy the daily life of the Russian and make their influence felt throughout the vast Russian Em-

"I do not believe there is any other country where these home problems have assumed such enormous proportions as is the case in Russia. It is, therefore, no matter for wonder that all these petty troubles of every-day life seem to interest and occupy the Russian mind to a far greater extent that the war itself. This is partly explained, no doubt, by the prevailing ignorance in regard to the general course of affairs. The assertions uttered by even educated Russians on universal political questions are often of the most astounding naivete. Whilst travelling in France or speaking with French people, one feels at once that the whole French nation is heart and soul in the struggle; in Russia, however, there is a certain indifference to the great war. waged in the distance, in the trenches on the Dvina and the Stripa, the marshes of Pinsk, or-farther still-in Flanders: France and the Balkans.

"And yet this war is undeniably, popular. For one of the Balkan brothers was involved, of the same race and creed, and menaced by the un-believers. To this was added the growing anti-German feeling of the last few years, the hatred of the indispensable though overbearing Prussian. | as usual. Theatres and moving pic-As this attitude on the part of Germans tures draw crowds, the great restaubore a strong resemblance to the arbitrary dealings of their own officials, it was widely believed by the masses that Russia was ruled by the Germans, a belief that was zealously fanned into flame by the Revolutionary elements.

" As a matter of fact a few members of the reactionary Cabinet at the beginning of the war were so plainly pro-German that they had to resign their portfolios. This pro-German proclivity on the part of the Right is exclusively attributed to the belief that a certain degree of friendliness with Germany would strengthen conserva-tism in Russia, whilst brotherhood with France and Britain would lead towards the introduction of democracy in Russia. This is just what the Liberal masses in Russia hope for, and it is for that reason that the parties of the Left are even more anxious to continue the war than the Government

"How is it, then, that the undeniable warlike enthusiasm of August, 1914, has weakned to the prevalent indifferent state of mind? Are the Russian people tired of the war? Do they want peace? The state of mind in the cities and behind the front says 'yes.' But the great masses scattered all over the country say 'no'. In the cities, where the dislocation of commerce and traffic have caused dearth and high prices, and the burden of war is weighing the heaviest, pessimistic views are not uncommon. But underneath, the spirit is unbroken. And if you ask your pessimist as to his idea of the outcome of the war, he will reply without the slightest hesitation: - Well, natural-

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ly. Germany cannot crushed! Russia must win! "Every Russian has the consciousness of Russia's unimpeachable great-

ness and invincible position.
"Petrograd!—What would the great Peter say to that name? Peter, who was probably the most pro-German Russian who ever lived. His sole endeavours were directed towards converting his Russians into true "Germans." And St. Petersburg, the seat and bulwark of that exotic system, always remained what it was on the day of its foundation: a bad copy of Berlin. To the true Russian Moscow is still the capital of Russia, the artery

of Russian national life. "All this must be understood to realise that the change of name of the capital, as decreed by Imperial Utase, was not the result of a whim, prompted by angry thoughts against the enemy, but an act of symbolic significance. Away with the German name -but then also, away with all the un-Russian things suggested by it.

" Petrograd is crowded, more so than in times of peace. Where do all these crowds come from? In the first place towards dislocating social life. All there are the fugitives from Poland and western Russia, and the people from the evacuated regions. Then there are the hundreds of wounded, spread over the whole city in the numberless hospitals and lazarettoes. There is hardly a street where the Red Cross flag is not seen, and no company or business of any importance but has a private lazaretto of its own. This crowd of wounded naturally has numbers of relatives, who have come to Petrogard to look

after them.

"The difficulties involved in provieioning the city were fully recognised soon after the outbreak of war. The Municipal Council conferred and appointed a Committee, which held endless discussions, but arrived at no results, hampered as it was by the desperate choas on the railways, the arbitrary measures taken by the military and civilian authorities, the every-growing needs of the army and the resulting dearth and high prices of the first needs of daily life. Maximum prices proved impracticable, the provisions bought far in the interior could not be transported for lack of waggons: whilst the shopkeepers did manage to get waggons privately, by fair means or foul, thus setting the Government's measures at

nought. "But to conclude from all this that life in Petrograd has been completely paralyzed would be to make a great mistake. Despite grumblings and complaints, things are going on much rants are doing a roaring business. ladies display as much extravagance in their clothing as ever, and money is generally spent on the most lavish scale. Only-all is dark and silent at 11 p.m. (to save coal), and since the prohibition of the sale of alcohol, wines have risen alarmingly in price and are clandestinely poured from-lemonade

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Life in Turkey.

The principal topic of conversation here, writes Mr. Herbert Gibbons from Alexandria, has been on the question, "What is going on in Turkey?"
Alexandria has always been closely connected with both Syrian and Asia Minor ports and has done much of its business in normal times with the Ottoman Empire. Now not only do no ships come here from Turkey, but news is rare, There are not even rumours any longer-just silence. It is almost as bad in regard to Greece and the islands. For three weeks no ship has come from or gone to Greece from

As Syria is acknowledged to fall under the French sphere of influence, the French fleet has undertaken the task of the Syrian and Palestine coast blockade. From Mersina to Port Said strict watch is being kept, so that not so much as a sailing vessel slips through to Turkish ports. Since the blockade has become strict, the former communications between Cyprus and Crete have

stopped.
All that is known of movements of troops and railway construction in Syria is due to the splendid hydroaeroplane reconnaissances which are made daily by French and British aviators. An aviator succeeded re-cently in crossing the second Lebanon range and found himself over the Aleppo-Damascus railway between Baalbek

and Rayak. However, one does get some news of Turkey through missionary circles, and I am glad to be able to give comparatively late information concerning Americans in the Ottoman Empire.

In spite of the unsettled internal conditions of Turkey and the horrible Armenian massacres, the American missionaries have been able to remain and continue their work at every station except Van and Bitlis, where they were driven out by the fighting be-tween the Turks and Russians. Nothing has been heard recently from Erzerum, but it is likely that the Russians have found the American missionaries remaining in this city.

At Constantinople, Smyrna and Marsovan the American colleges and schools and the American hospitals are still continuing their work. There are record enrolments in the Constantinople and Smyrna institutions.

The college at Aintab has been closed, but the one at Harpoot, which was taken over by the Government for a time, has been given back to the of its value."

Americans and is reopened. The college at Tarsus has been closed, and the hospital at Adana taken over by the Government.

The Americans remain at Marsovan, Sivas, Talas, Harpoot, Mardin, Aintab, Marash, Anana, Tarsus, Konia, Hadjin and Aleppo. More than 200 of the 300 Americans connected with missions and educational institutions in Turkey are still at their posts and doing their

The ravages of typhus fever in Asia-tic Turkey can well be guessed from the fact that Doctors Thom, of Mardin; Knapp, of Diarbekir; Atkinson, of Harpoot; Shepard of Aintab, and Leslie, of Urfa, have died of typhus during the last six months.

From the latest information that has reached Alexandria, it is believed that there are about half a million Armenians who have survived the general massacre in Asiatic Turkey, but the great majority of them are women and children, entirely without means. De-portations are still going on in Tarsus, Konia and other places.

The Turkish Government has done

everything in its power to hinder the American Red Cross Society from American Red Cross Society from alleviating the sufferings of the survivors and prevents their efforts to settle down and earn a living in their place of exile. There is much interest in the news that Secretary Lansing has sent a Note to Turkey on the Armenian question. But will not Turkey take the cue from Germany in her treatment of American Notes? Too many words falling on deaf ears has seriously injured American prestige in seriously injured American prestige in the Near East.

Mr. Asquith Insulted.

London, March, 16.-There was a scene in the House of Commons yesterday, when Sir A. B. Markham, resuming the Army Estimate debate, declared that Mr. Asquith's pledge to the married that Mr. Asquith a piedge to the married men was being dishonoured. He said. Sir" Lord Derby is an honest English gentleman, while Mr. Asquith is a professional politician. Mr. Asquith said he would stick at nothing to win the war, but the only thing to which he had stuck was his salary." (Loud cries of "Shame" and "Insult.") Sir A. B. Markham tried to continue

his speech, which was drowned by shouts of "Withdraw!" The speaker said: "The remark is not disorderly: members can form their own opinion

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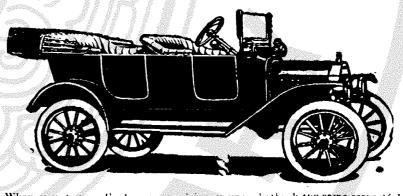
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Court Circular.

DUSIT PARK, Friday, May 12.

This morning His Majesty the King honoured His Excellency Chao Phya Yomaraj by witnessing His Excellency's progress in procession at Phya Thai to attend the ceremony of "Commencement of Ploughing" where His Excellency performed the rites in accordance with ancient custom.

Official Communique from the Ministry of War.

On 27th of March B. E. 2458, while the troops returning from the Grand Manoeuvres were waiting for the train at Bangkok Noi Terminus, of the Southern Railway, two privates, who were unwell, sought some shade under the house of P. A. Lewin, an English engineer in the Siamese Government Service.

The said gentleman ordered his Chinese boy to eject the soldiers; then getting impatient, came to carry out the order himself in a speedier manner, by administering free kicks upon the unfortunate soldiers.

when the Ministry of War heard of this affair, they found that such conduct on the part of P. A. Lewin was a moral insult to the King's soldiers and to the Siamese Army as a whole, so they at once made a strong protest to the Ministry of Communications. Now the latter Ministry have decided to dispense with the services of P. A. Lewin, for the reason that such conduct is quite inadmissible for persons serving this Maiesty our King.

quite inadmissible for persons serving His Majesty our King. The Ministry of War take this opportunity to inform foreigners, that this Ministry have every now and then received complaints about unbecoming conduct on the part of our soldiers towards foreigners, and while the Ministry are always striving to teach good manners and enforce strict discipline amongst the troops, they cannot be very successful if cer ain foreigners will continue to look down upon us as nonequals, who can be treated with less regard. Respectful and good manners must be mutual. You will always reap what you sow, and you cannot expect our sobliers to remember every foreigner's face and distinguish those who treat us nicely from those who do

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THERE will be no issue of the "Siam Observer" on Monday owing to the Vesakha Bucha festivities.

NEWS has reached Athens that Tewfik Effendi, the Governor of Scutari in Asia, was publicly executed in Constantinople on March 17.

MR. V. Borck, formerly of the Siam Electricity Co. who left Bangkok a few weeks ago, has joined the firm of Messrs. Guthrie and Co. at Singapore.

THE Phathanakorn and the Phathanarom announce a complete change of programme to-night. details of which will be found in our advertisement columns.

MR. H. L. Beeching, of The United Engineers, Ltd., has left to join the Sumatra branch, with which he expects to be connected for the next eight months says the "Straits Times."

WE understand that the film shewing the fight between Johnson and Willard for the world's heavy-weight championship will soon arrive in Bangkok. This film was not allowed to be shown in Singapore.

ONE of the last representatives of the descendants of the family of Jeanne d'Arc died recently at Toulon at the age of 82. Mme. Lanery d'Arc, nee Adine de Julienne d'Arc. The deceased had encouraged military careers among her grandchildren and grandnephews. A number of them are fighting in Lorraine against the enemy.

PROFESSOR Nicolos Lenz, magician and prestidigitator, will give a pertormance at the Oriental Hotel on Saturday the 20th inst. The principal item on the programme will be " the Box of Death," a sensational act, in which Madame Pauline or the lady with mysterious hands, will take part. Other items include some clever tricks which have not been seen in Bangkok before and some clever and original dances by Miss Dora. Professor Lenz has made a name by his marvellous and mystifying performances and there is no doubt that a packed house is assured. The Filipino Orchestra will supply the music.

The Ploughing Ceremony.

We regret that through inadvertance we made it appear to readers of our yesterday's issue that His Majesty the King was not present at the "Commencement of the Ploughing" coremony.

As a matter of fact His Majesty was present and arrived with his suite by motor-car shortly before the time appointed for the commencement of the rites.

His Excellency Chao Phya Yomaraj, who, as already mentioned, was •His Majesty's Deputy on this occasion arrived in a state carriage drawn by four horses.

There was a slight drizzle when Hie Majesty arrived, but it cleared off in

At 11.30 a.m., the proceedings being finished, those who attended partook of refreshments of which there was a great

variety.

Among those present were:—H.B.H.
Prince Rajaburi, Their Excellencies
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There will be the ordinary Handicap Sweep for shooting at the R.B.S.C. on Sunday commencing at 4.30 p.m.
A good attendance of members is expected.

Quarantine on Hongkong Vessels.

The Minister of Local Government sends us the following notification dated 11th instant:—

Whereas information has been received that a dangerous infectious disease, namely, Small pox, exists in Hongkong, it is hereby declared by me in accordance with Clause 217 of the Law on Navigation in Siamese Waters, B. S. 2,456 that Hongkong is a suspected port.

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Any vessel which having cleared from Hongkong on and after the date of the present Notification, shall, on arriving in Siamese waters, stop at the Quarantine Anchorage at the Island of Koh Phra for inspection and shall stay there until released by the Health Offi-

French Offensive at Verduh.

Paris, May 4.—Semi-official: It now appears the French command at Verdun has definitely passed from the defensive to the retaking of ground by partial counter-attacks. Our advance day by day is gradually removing the enemy's menace against Morthomme which, if our progress extends further as is highly probable, will soon be disposed of altogether, as has already happened in the case of hill 304 which the Germans attacked since the retaking of Avocourt wood at the end of March. The recent accounts of the situation at Verdun coupled with the reported civilian evacuation of Metz from which the French positions at Pont a Mousson are distant only a dozen miles, and the long range bombardment of German communications at the St. Mihiel salient reported in yesterday's communique, suggest that the German position is becoming dan-Amsterdam, May 4.-It is trust-

worthily reported that civilians are evacuating Metz.

Some Legislation.

London, May 1.—In the House of Commons Mr. Asquith said the Government had adopted the Royal Commission's recommendations regarding free diagnosis and treatment of venereal diseases but he could not promise legislation on the other recommendations, owing to their controversial nature.

He hoped to arrange at an early date for a discussion on daylight saving.

Mr. H. Samuel has written to Sir Henry Norman who gave notice of a motion on the subject emphasising the benefits of daylight-saving, especially in the release of great quantities of coal which were urgently required by the Allies and ourselves. He mentions that Chambers of Commerce and the Government coal committee unanimously urged its immediate adoption. Managers of great railways are also strongly in favour.

London, May 5.—The daylight saving Bill will be debated on Monday,

General News.

London, May 4.—In the House of Lords Lord Curzon said 43 per cent of British shipping had been requisitioned for naval and military purposes and another 14 per cent in carrying foodstuffs, raw material, munitions, on behalf of the Governments of the Allies. He would like a further restriction of imports but it was difficult to satisfy the conflicting interests of the Dominions and the Allies.

London, May 5.—Mr. Asquith unveiled the Scott memorial at St. Paul's. The organisers of the Shackleton expedition have practically given up hope of the Endurance arriving at Buenos Aires this season, therefore it is felt steps must be taken immediately for relief expeditions both to the Ross sea and Weddell sea.

Rome, May 5 .- A communique says five enemy attacks in the Tonale an i Adamello zones were repulsed with heavy losses. Two Italian airships dropped two tons of explosives on enemy positions east of Gorizia. One did not return.

Le Havre, May 4 .- General Tombeur, commanding the Belgians on the eastern frontier of the Congo, reports that on May 3 he turned enemy posi-tions defending the passage of the Ruzizi river and landed on the German shore of lake Kivu. Supported by gunboats he forced the enemy to evacuate their positions on the upper Rusizi. The Belgians south of the lake crossed the river and occupied German positions at Shangugu and also penetrated German territory north of

Marseilles, May 4.—Contingents of Russians continue to arrive and are enthusiastically received.

London, May 5.—In consequence of Sir George Birdwood's letter of April 21st Miss Constance Faithfull of Tunbridge Wells, a former resident of India. has offered so give her freehold house and grounds of four acres at Walton on Thames and to meet the cost of laying it out as a Muslim cemetery. Sir G. Birdwood has submitted the offer to Kut would long be remembered with Mr. Chamberlain with a recommenda- admiration by the British army and tion that the property be vested in the India Office. The cemetery will be administered by a committee of Muslim Elders.

Athens, May 6.—The French have occupied Florina and arrested the secretary of the Austrian Consulate at Monactir who was returning from Atheus. The Austrian Minister at Athens has protested against the arrest. There are many desertions from the Bulgarian army and great depression at Sofia. Turko-Bulgarian relations are unsatis-

London, May 5.-The Zilles Sultan has arrived in London and visited the Foreign Office and India Office. Mr. Asquith, Sir E. Gray, Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Kitchener and the diplomatists called on him.

London, May 5.—The result of the One Thousand Guineas was Canyon 1; Fifinella 2; Salamandra 3. The betting was Canyon 9-2, Fifinella 11-10, Salamandra 10-1. Ten ran and the race was won by three quarters of a length, third three lengths away.

London, May 5.—In the Gazette General Sir Ian Hamilton mentions Colonel R. A. Carruthers, Majors C. M. Macmullen 14th Sikhs, R. E. Hogg 38th Central India Horse, Captain R.E. Coningham 10th Gurkhas, Surgeon

General W. Babtie. Melbourne, May 4.—The Australian Natives Association has opened a conscription campaign in Victoria. There was an overflowing and enthusiastic meeting at the town hall which resolved unanimously that the needs of the war were no longer met by voluntary enlistment and urging the Commonwealth to fully utilise the services of every citizen.

London, May 5.- A ballot of the Preston district spinners shows 981 per cent. in favour of a strike to enforce the demand for a 10 per cent. advance. The spinners' executive considers the results of this and other ballots on

Saturday. London, May 5.—Dundee spinners and manufacturers have decided that unless the calenderers return to work by May 11 all calendering sections will

close down.

London, May 4.-The death is announced of Admiral Lord John Hay. Amsterdam, May 4.—Those arrested in the Berlin disturbances include Herr Liebknecht. A Socialist resolution in

the Reichstag demands his release. Paris, May 4.—A hundred persons were killed and a hundred injured by an explosion in a state factory near La

Rochell. Washington, May 5 .- An agreement has been reached providing for the cooperation of the Carranzista party with American troops in clearing northern

Mexico of bandits. Salonika, May 5.-A Zeppelin raided the town at dawn. She was heavily fired on and is reported to have been

destroyed. Salonika, Later.-The destruction of the Zeppelin is confirmed. Only one

of the crew of thirty escaped. The "Neue Freie Press" of Vienna states the conflict between Germany and the United States will be amic-

ably settled. According to the "Vossische Zeitung," the Greek Government has decided to blow up the railways rather than permit the Allies to utilise them for the transport of the Serbian Army from Corfu to Macedonia.

Mesopotamia.

Lords Lord Kitchener enlogised General Townshend and his comrades. "Townshend's last message to General Lake was 'we are pleased to know we have done our duty. We recognise the situation is one of the fortunes of war and we thank you and General Gorringe and all ranks on the Tigris for their great efforts to save us." Kitchener added that only imminent starvation compelled the surrender and the adverse elements along denied success to the relief force (cheers.)

London, May 5.—In the House of Lords Lord Kitchener spoke of the dogged determination and splendid courage of General Townshend and his troops and the excellence of his dispositions for defence. He emphasised he strain upon the troops holding positions under most difficult conditions. In their honourable captivity they would have the satisfaction of knowing that in the opinion of their comrades and that House and the country they did all that was humanly possible and that their surrender was no discredit to the British or Indian army. He paid a tribute to the courage and devotion of the relievers and thought the House and Country would endorse the words of Townshend's message. Those who held and those who strained every nerve to relieve Kut alike earned our admira-

tion and gratitude.

London, May 5.-General Joffre has telegraphed to the War Office expressing in warmest terms the admiration with which the French army followed the heroic defence of Kut and the brilliant efforts of the relief column in the face of most unfavourable conditions. He asked that the sentiments be con-

The Commander in Mesopotamia in reply thanking him, adds the troops in Mesopotamia will be cheered and encouraged by the assurance of the admiration of the great army which for many weeks has broken the enemy's most powerful efforts to reach Verdun. Lord Grenfell said the defence of

Latest Telegrams.

Washington, May 5. Official.—The German Note adds that it expects that the United States will insist forthwith that Britain observe the rules of international law. Should steps in this direction be unsuccessful a new situation may arise, whereanent Germany will reserve to herself liberty of decision.

Washington. - Mr. Lansing, referring to the German reply, said that mistakes with submarines are inadmissible. He added that the United States might ask Germany for a copy of previous orders to submarine commanders for comparison with the new order quoted in

the German reply.

New York.—Early reports that the German reply is uncompromising adversely influenced the opening of the stock market, but the Note's quotation of the new order to submarines not to sink merchantmen without warning and saving lives caused an abrupt re-

Petrograd, May 6. - General Sukhomlinoff, ex-Minister for War. is accused of abuse of power, criminal negligence, concealment of the truth, and high treason. He has been preventively incarcerated in the fortress of Peter Paul after interrogation by the senator investigating the case.

London, May 6.—The rebel John Macbride has been shot. In the case of two others the death sentence has teen commuted to life sentences. Three others have been sentenced to

three years. London, May 5.—The Commander of the Grand Fleet reports that the ships which destroyed the Zeppelin are Galatea and Phaeton. The Zeppelin was apparently on scouting duty.

Vice Admiral de Robeck from Salonika reports that at 2.30 in the morning the fleet heavily fired on and hit Zeppelin passing over the harbour. She fell blazing into the mouth of the Vardar. There are no survivors.

Official. It now appears that Zeppelin L 7 was severely damaged by the Galatea and Phaeton, and her destruction completed by a British submarine, which rescued seven of the Zeppelin's crew. The submarine was attacked and slightly injured by a German cruiser on the return journey.

Official.—It is now ascertained that there are some survivors of the crew of the Zeppelin wrecked at Salonika. Four officers and eight men have been taken

prisoner. Later.-The Clan Macfadyen reports that a submarine in the Bay of Biscay fired sixty shots at the closest range. The Clan Macfadyen pluckily replied and it is believed hit the submarine several times. Three hours later she met another submarine whose torpedo

missed her by a few feet. Paris, Mar 6.-General Haig's communique says the enemy yesternight sprang mines near Neuville, and one to day east of Albert, without altering the situation. There was considerable artillery activity during the night on the banks of the Somme opposite Hulluch. There is nothing to report today. The artillery is less active than

The result of airfights yesterday was that we drove down two enemy machines behind the German lines. One was wrecked. The pilot of our aeroplane fired on the occupants after land- 1915,

Dutch War Telegrams.

The Amsterdam "Handelsblad" states that the evidence that the Palembang was torpedoed is conclusive, and demands satisfaction from Germany.

The German Government acknowledges the truth of the Dutch Note regarding the sinking of the Tubantia.

The "Corriere della Sera" has information which predicts a speedy Ger-

man offensive on the British front, and also a battle in the North Sea. The Germans have built a new station for Zeppelins and aeroplanes near

Four Dutch small boats sailed on Thursday. They were bunkered with German coal.

Scenes in the Reichstag.

Amsterdam, April 10,-There have been further heated scenes in the Reichstag. At a recent sitting Herr Liebknecht, the socialist leader declared that he held documents showing the existence of an agreement between Herr Zimmerman, the Foreign Under Secretary and Sir Roger Casement for drilling British prisoners to fight against England. Despite repeated calls of order and cries of "traitor" and "lunatic" Herr Liebknecht denounced the official encouragement of such treasonable propagands. Eventualy the House refused to hear Herr Liebknecht fur-

Amsterdam, April 9 .- In the Reichstag, on Friday, Count Westars (Conservative) declared that Germany's chief task was to force Britain to renonnce her destructive plans. He did not want Germany's military and politi-cal backbone to be broken. He condemned America for supplying aumunition to the Allies. Germany was firmly resolved to disregard America's

unjustifiable demand. Herr Haase (Socialist) said the injustice done to Belgium must be compensated by the restoration of her independence (uproar). In 1913, Herr Von Jagow, the Foreign Minister de-clared that Germany would uphold Belgian neutrality.

Herr Von Jagow, replying, said that when he made that declaration he considered Belgium to be neutral. Since then it had been thoroughly proved that the guilt for what happened lay with Belgium. If a French deputy said a quarter what Haase had said his colleagues would have stoned him.

The organ of the Schleswig Holstein Danes at Plensburg in a full report of the recent Reichstag sensation states that when Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg declared that Germany's enemies chose the war Herr Liebknecht shouled "Lies, you chose it." There was a tremendous uproar and cries of "chuck him out," " blackguard," " dirty dog.' Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg said:

"We want neighbours with whom we co-operate with mutual advantage." Herr Liebknecht interposed :- You therefore suddenly assail and strangle

There was a deafening din and the strongest epithets were hurled at Liebknecht, one member shouting, "Hit him on the head."

Naval debate tried to discuss submarine policy but he was forbidden to continue. The German Federal Council has dopted a Daylight Saving Bill.

Herr Liebknecht later on during the

Socialists' Annual Conference.

London, April, 25.-The Socialists' Annual Conference voted in favour of meeting secretly: whereupon thirty delegates, headed by Mr. Hyndman, secoded and are now holding a separate open conference. They declared in favour of supporting the Allies' policy in the war and issued a manifesto protesting against the majority's secret anti-nationalism.

The Latest Type of Submarine.

Amsterdam, April 9.-The German Admiralty is rapidly constructing submarines that will keep closer to the surface than the usual type do because the periscope has been abolished and lenses and mirrors have been built into the hull on both sides to enable observations to be taken. The enemy will-be unable to detect the presence of submarines until the latter are quite

PADDY REPORT FOR MAY 12.

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ing and returned safely. The other enemy machine was damaged. We lost an aeroplane brought down in the enemy lines.

Petrograd, May 6.-We made slight progress southeast of Olyka and consolidated our gains. Violent counterattacks were unsuccessful. Heavy enemy attacks in the region of Tarnopal Pezerna railway were equal failures. On the Causasus front in the direction of Baiburt fresh Turkish attacks were repulsed. Also night attacks in the direction of Bitlis.

London, May 6.-Increases of exports for the month were £4,648,106 and imports £2,046,780 against April

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The Irish Rebollion.

London, May 4.—The King has tele-graphed to General Maxwell as follows. Now that the lamentable outbreak is finally quelled I wish to express to my gallant troops in Ireland, to the Royal Irish Constabulary and the Dublin Metropolitan Police, my deep sense of their wholehearted devotion to duty and the spirit of self-sacrifice with

which they have throughout acted.

State of the Country.

London, May 3.—Lord French says
the situation in Ireland is quiet. The
collection of arms in Dublin and the arrest of fugitive rebels progresses satisfactorily. A strict cordon is still maintained. The rebels attacked the police barracks at Orumore near Galway but the police held out till relieved. The situation in the West Riding of Galway is well in hand and the rebels have been dispersed. South Ireland is quiet and is steadily becoming

normal. Ulster is normal.

London, May 4.—Mr. Harcourt is mentioned as Mr. Birrell's successor.

It is understood that Sir M. Nathanal under secretary, has resigned and other resignations are probable. The Traitors.

It is expected Sir Roger Casement will be tried for high treason by three Judges presided over by Lord Reading. London, May, 5.—It is intimated Sir R. Casement will be civilly tried as it is desirable to publicly investigate his activities in Germany. It is stated the trial will take place within a fortnight. Sir R. Casement wished Sir E. Carson to defend him but this is not

London, May 5.—It is rumoured in the Lobby that Lord Derby will be offered the Viceroyalty of Ireland if Lord Wimborne resigns. It is stated that Mr. E. S. Montagu refused the Chief Secretaryship, which there is difficulty in filling up.

It is understood the Nationalist mem-

bers in the Commons will shortly ask the Government to secure the comple e disarmament of Ireland The National Volucteers are willing to surrender their arms if the measure is

London, May 5.—Captain William Redmond M. P. has written to Mr. John Redmond that the Germans put up in their trenches opposite the Irish divi-sion notices saying "There is a revolu-tion in Ireland. English guns are firing on your wives and children. The English military bill has been rejected' and offering the Irish a hearty welcome. The Irish replied by singing Irish Airs and Rule Britannia.

Shanghai, May 5,-Irishmen here shame and horror at the disloyalty of liniment and bind it on over the a few of their compatriots.

The British Reports.

London, May 4.—General Haig in a communiqué says: There has been nothing of importance in the past twenty-four hours. Operations on both sides were confined to artillery actions with a little mining activity. We exploded three mines to-day east of Souchez, simultaneously bombarding the enemy trenches. There were also fairly heavy reciprocal bombardments from St. Eloi southward and west of Angres. Our aircraft carried out considerable work yesterday despite thundery weather. Two hostile aircraft were seen.

London, May 5.—General Haig's communique says: There was renewed activity last night at different points. The enemy after a heavy bombard-ment raided our trenches near Monehy and caused some casualties. The enemy ineffectively exploded two mines at Neuville. We followed up a mine explosion at Crassier by a small successful raid bombing dugouts and inflicting casualties. We sprang a mine the enemy's upat Hooge, damaging the enemy's underground workings. There is nothing special to-day beyond artillery ac-

Fighting at Sea.

London, May 3.—The collier Wan-dle, which beat off a German submarine, had a triumphal progress up the Thames towards Wandsworth, the bridges being lined with cheering

Rio de Janeiro, May 4.—The Government has cabled for full particulars of

the sinking of the Rio Branco.

London, May 5.—The French schooner Bernadotte has been sunk. Eight were picked up and twenty-six are missing. The Swedish ship Mars has

been burned by a German submarine.

London, May 5.—The fight of the Clan Macfadyen with a submarine was most gallant. The submarine opened fire at fifty yards, the Clan Macfadyen's big gun immediately replied. The steamer was hit several times but was not seriously damaged and the crew were not injured. The steamer's escape was due to courage and good seamanship as her speed was only eleven knots.

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The Compulsion Bill.

What Politicians Say.

London, May 5.—The Compulsion Bill has passed the second reading by 328 to 26.

London, May 5.—On the second reading of the compulsion bill Mr. R. Holt moved its rejection. Two other Liberals supported him. His objections were mainly economic.

Mr. Lleyd George.

Mr. Lloyd George said he would rather be driven out of political life than accept the responsibility of refusing the demand of the military anthorities for men whom this bill alone could secure. The bill met the economic objections raised. It was intended to follow the system of France where men indispensable in home industries were kept at home. Mr. Holt's statement that if the war lasted till 1917 we should be unable to stand the financial strain was not in the least true. He had consulted leading financiers and they were confident of our ability however long the war lasted to outstay Germany. Supposing Mr. Holt is correct it would be wisest to apply for full power forthwith.

Mr. Henderson. London, May 5.—In the House of Commons Mr. Henderson winding up the debate said the Government had not allowed the General Staff to override it nor did the General Staff expect it do so. He repudiated the idea that the bill would be used to effect in-dustrial compulsion. With reference to criticisms of his supporting the bill while secretary of the Labour Conference he wished it known that he chose country before party (cheers). He was convinced the alternative to conscription was defeat; 750,000 men had not come forward when the last Despite every caution, the hawsers act was passed, not 650,000 as stated by Lord Derby.

Some Cabinet members were more reluctant than others to agree to the bill. The best argument for it was that those who were ready and those who were reluctant unanimously concluded the bill was absolutely inevitable. It was true our Allies had overwhelmingly superior numbers but the superiority must be in equipped men. Russia's comparative failure last year was due to lack of equipment. There had been great improvement this year but till Russia had completed her equipment France and Britain who were able to equip their men should put every available man in the field. It was essential we should take the utmost possible share in the burdens this year. Immediately the enemy realised the importance of our doing s and the danger of our not doing so, the adoption of the bill would be the worst possible news for the German

General Staff. He regarded the estimate that the bill would secure two hundred thousand men as an underestimate. He fully appreciated our responsibility in

financing the Allies and maintaining trade and difficulties of transport but taking all into account we had still a substantial margin before we had made the same sacrifices as France. He wanted the enemy and our Allies to know that if the time came when it would make a difference between defeat and victory England would summon the whole of that margin to the colours. He ridiculed the idea that conscription would involve unrest amongst the workers. Elemental virtues knew no class and patriotism was one of the greatest of these virtues.

Second Thoughts.

Mr. Theodore Taylor (Lib) said he opposed the first compulsion bill but would support the present bill believing the situation necessitated it.

Simon the Doubter Sir J. Simon said the differences between supporters and opponents of the bill related to methods not objects. There was no limit to the sacrifice the country ought to make but the problem involved was difficult in the delicate adjustment of various needs. He did not believe the bill as a whole would add to national force and The Nationalists abstained from vot-

London, May 5.—The group system of recruiting which was temporarily closed on April 26 will be reopened.

Salving A Zeppelin.

London, April 18 .-- The Daily Chronicle's correspondent in an east coast town describes the effort made to salve a Zeppelin. The airship, he states, was so much submerged that the problem of taking it to a harbour some miles away was a most difficult one. parted, and the Zeppelin gradually settled down until only a section of the envelope was visible. When the prisoners from our ship were landed, the commander a burly, good looking youth, refused to line up with the others and insisted that an officer in the German aerial service was entitled to be treated with great dignity. He soon adopted a more reasonable frame of mind, however.

The naval men who saw the last moments of the raider slowly labouring eastward state that the stern compartment was seriously damaged and appeared to be on fire. Its movements were most uncertain. It swayed helplessly and slipped gradually downwards. Some of the crew before being taken off were busy damaging the vital parts.

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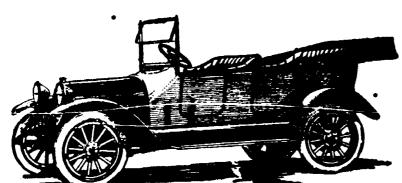
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Capture of a British Ship.

German Submarine Commander's Description.

The following account of the capture of a British steamer by a German sub-marine is contributed to the Berlin Lokalanzeiger by Lieut-Commander Baron Gunther Georg von Forstner:

The afternoon was mild and sunny. We were in the inmediate vicinity of the Mass lightship at the mouth of the Meuse, and had just concluded the inspection of a Dutch steamer bound for a neutral port, when we saw a mer-chant ship, the English nationality of which was easily recognisable from her build, rapidly approaching us.

Apparently it was at the very moment when the Dutch steamer we had released had resumed its course that the British ship became aware of our presence. She immediately reversed her engines, and at full speed made for the English coast. Well did the captain know what he had to expect should be fall into the hands of the wicked German U boat! Mighty columns of smoke issuing from her funnels testified to the feverish activity of the stokers, and long before we were able to hoist the signal to halt she was in full flight.

In the meantime we had made our preparations for pursuit, and our machines were driven at their utmost capacity in order to overtake the fugitive. He did not run badly, the flying Englishman, and we had to traverse a long road of several nautical miles before we could approach close enough to dictate our will to him. Our international flag-signal fluttering so merrily in the wind, "Stop at once, or I fire" did not seem to trouble him. The captain merely looked ahead, watching for the first patrol ship that could take him on board and protect him.

A Warning Shot. Vigorously the bow of our boat buried itself beneath the high-running sea, then again rising to the surface steeped in mountains of silvery spray. Amid the utmost mental tension every one of us asked himself the question: Shall we overtake the fleeing Englishman, or will he get away before our guns can make their solemn voices heard?

No! Soon, thanks to the tremendously accelerated action of our motors, we had gained considerably on the fugitive. Before long, the first warning shot rolled from the mouth of our artillery and resounded across the sea, hurling against the Englishman's bow

smoke arose from his chimney while with ever-increasing exertion the perspiring stokers below had to fling coal into the flery furnace beneath the boiler. They, too, knew what was at

Even after two further well-aimed warning shots from our guns right and left had been fired in the closest proximity to the steamer, after telling the captain in thunderous language that any further attempt at flight would be useless, as the next shot would surely deal his ship a fatal blow, he did not deem it right to obey our command and surrender. There was no alternative but to fire the next shot into the hall of the steamer. Whistling, screaming, and roaring the shell flew from the cannon's mouth, to crash, a few moments later, enveloped in thick smoke and with a loud explosion, into the afterdeck of the steamer.

That settled it. Instantly the pursued steamer stopped, and by means of the universal international signalthree sharp notes on the siren-gave us to understand that owing to the injury to his engines he was forced to

give up the mad fight.

Mighty white clouds arose from the funnels, and with heavy heart the captain answered our next flag signal; "Leave your ship at once," by the hoisting of a red and white stripped streamer—the international token that the signal was understood. It really means nothing more nor less than, "I agree to your decision to send my dear old ship to the bottom "-unquestionably a saddening resolution to take for the captain of a proud vessel. " Our Joy."

Our joy, however, nee Is no description. Again and again I myself shook the hand of the gunner who fired the final mortal shot at the enemy. How indeed could there be a question of emotion in such a case? Does not the sinking of every enemy ship dispel a hope of our most hated for 2 Is not the sinking of every enemy ship a requital for their criminal desire to starve to death the whole of our people, our women and our children, simply because they could not succeed in defeating us by force of arms in henourable combat? Then who would dare admonish us not to rejoice in our well justified jubilation?

In silence, and with uncertain steps, the English captain entered our boat. and, saluting, handed me his ship's papers, of which, also saluting. I took charge. When both of his ship's boats were lying alongside our submarine I could not resist the temptation to call his attention, in the hearing of his crew, to the peril to which he had subjected them all by his attenwater. Still, however, the Englishman hoped to outrun us, and in mightier and still mightier volume the dense

well aware of the very narrow escape from death they had, and saluted us respectfully by throwing their caps in the air. I thereupon gave the rescued men to understand that we would to v them to the Maas lightship.

Joyfully they got their tow-lines in readiness, in the happy prospect of soon being again on dry land safe and

Evacuation of Gallipoli.

General Monro's Despatch.

London, April 11th .-- In a despatch. which has been published, General Sir Charles Monro describes the evacuation of Gallipoli and the work of the 10th Division in the Balkans. On his arrival in Gallipoli he found the Allies holding a line possessing every military defect. The position was without depth. The communications were insecure and dependent on the weather. The Turks were obviously able to hold us with a small force and take the offensive in Mesopotamia or Egypt or both.

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