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FOR APRIL, 1916.

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

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

PHASES OF THE MOON.

Apr. 2nd New Moon 11.3 p.m.
10th First Quarter 9.18 p.m.
18th Full Moon 11.50 a.m.
25th Last Quarter 5.20 a.m.

Paknam Railway Company Limited.

TIME TABLE.

PAKNAM—BANGKOK.					BANGKOK—PAKNAM				
Stations.	Train No.				Stations.	Train No.			
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Paknam Dep.	6.30	9.30	12.45	3.45	Bangkok Dep.	7.45	10.45	2.00	5.00
*Maha Wong ..	6.35	9.35	12.50	3.50	Sala Deng ..	7.52	10.52	2.07	5.07
*Ban Naug ..	6.40	9.40	12.55	3.55	Klong Toi ..	8.00	11.00	2.15	5.15
Grog ..	6.45	9.45	1.00	4.00	*Ban Kluei ..	8.05	11.05	2.20	5.20
Chorakhe ..	6.50	9.50	1.05	4.05	Prakonong ..	8.10	11.10	2.25	5.25
Bangna ..	6.55	9.55	1.10	4.10	Bangjak ..	8.15	11.15	2.30	5.30
*Bangjak ..	7.00	10.00	1.15	4.15	*Bangna ..	8.20	11.20	2.35	5.35
*Prakonong ..	7.05	10.05	1.20	4.20	Samrong ..	8.25	11.25	2.40	5.40
*Ban Kluei ..	7.10	10.10	1.25	4.25	Chorakhe ..	8.30	11.30	2.45	5.45
Klong Toi ..	7.15	10.15	1.30	4.30	*Ban Naug ..	8.35	11.35	2.50	5.50
Sala Deng ..	7.23	10.23	1.38	4.38	Grog ..	8.40	11.40	2.55	5.55
Bangkok Arr.	7.30	10.30	1.45	4.45	*Maha Wong ..	8.45	11.45	3.00	6.00

*Trains stop only at the request of passengers.
Trains may leave intermediate stations 5 minutes before the stated time

Essad Pasha and
Albania.

Rome.—Essad Pasha, interviewed by a representative of the "Corriere Italia," said: The Austrian occupation of Albania is merely temporary, and will undoubtedly result in military and political disaster. The Austrian troops are threatened by hostile tribesmen and are exposed to the danger of having their retreat cut off by the Italians from Valona. The turbulent Albanians will soon revolt against Austrian methods, and will cordially join the Italian cause.

The Adriatic is destined to become an Italian sea, and the Italian victory over Austria is certain.

The Montenegrins and Serbs are deeply grateful for Italy's generous help, which saved them from utter destruction and greatly increased Italian prestige.

Essad Pasha expects to return to Albania shortly.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Bank of England Exemptions.

At a meeting of the City Local Tribunal at the Guildhall the clerk Mr. James, said he had received a letter from the secretary of the Bank of England intimating the intention of claiming total exemption for 199 single employees who were attested and one who was not. The ground of the claim was that the retention of the man was in the national interest for reasons explained to Lord Derby.

Maj de Rothschild, representing the military authorities, said he had applied to his superiors for a ruling with regard to the Bank of England, but other important matters had had precedence. Until he was in possession of the final official view he could not consent to total exemption, but he would have no objection to a three months' postponement.

The Chairman (Sir Vezey Strong) said he did not think that would be of much advantage unless it was intimated that the postponement was granted to enable the Bank to make other arrangements. Total exemption for so many young men was such a large order that the Tribunal would hesitate to grant it unless the case could be proved up to the hilt. All

he could say at present in the absence of evidence was that the Court could only make a postponement of three months conditional for the men in question being prepared to join the Army at the end of that period.

Maj de Rothschild thought the point was one to be settled between the War Office and the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The Chairman said that the Bank must on some future day bring up the evidence upon which the application was based. Pending that no decision was given.

Allied Mediterranean Fleets.

In the House of Commons on Feb 23 Mr. King asked the First Lord of the Admiralty whether the Italian Navy was co-operating under the command of the naval commander-in-chief of the Allies in the Mediterranean, and whether he could safely communicate to the House any statement concerning recent naval work accomplished by our gallant Italian Allies.

Mr. Balfour replied it would be inadvisable to state in detail the organization of the Allied Naval commands in the Mediterranean, but the general command is in the hands of the French Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Fourrier, in the Adriatic and its approaches. The Italian Commander-in-Chief is the Duke of the Abruzzi, and other local commands are assigned to British officers.

The best indication of the work which has been performed by the Allied Fleets in the Mediterranean is the successful transport of large military force to Salonika, the successful evacuation of the Allied Expedition to the Dardanelles, and last, but not least, the transportation of the Serbian Army from Albania—a result chiefly due to the energy and ability displayed by the Italian Fleet.

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PARIS—
Bank Bills, demand —
GERMANY—
Bank Bills, demand —
NEW YORK—
Bank Bills, demand U.S.A. 35 3/4
LIMA—
Bank Bills, demand Rs. 113 3/4
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Interred German Liners In U.S.A.

According to the New York American the Germans have perfected plans for the simultaneous destruction of 80 German liners and other ships interned in American ports in the event of war with the United States. These plans were first made after the sinking of the Lusitania. The American authorities are fully apprised of the German intentions, which, in their opinion, cannot be trusted.

At the same time elaborate precautions are being taken. All the vessels interned in New York were thoroughly searched a few days ago. As one official expressed it, "we can absolutely prevent them making a dash to sea by keeping a check on the coal put aboard, but if they decide to blow up the ships in the event of war with the United States there is nothing that can prevent them."

Von Wiegand's Utterances.

The inhabitants of Berlin evidently require a good deal of cheering up now that their treasured pots and pans have been commandeered for conversion into munitions at Krupp's. Hitherto "Deutscher Sport" has had very little to say about the war, apart from giving lists of the multitude of Iron Crosses awarded to the German horse-racing brigade, but in its issue of Feb. 13 our contemporary brought the notorious Carl von Wiegand "into play" for the benefit of the burghers of Berlin. Quoting Von Wiegand, "Deutscher Sport" says that according to the latest advice received by him, "Wall Street is beginning to realise that it has 'put its money on the wrong horse,' and to contemplate the possibility, or rather, the probability, of a severe defeat of the forces of the Entente." "Deutscher Sport" goes on to explain to the Berliners "that Wall Street is the hub of the American Stock Exchange, and that it would be indeed a joyful thing were such a view at last to have become general in such influential American circles." There is, it will be noticed, a chastened kind of optimism in the last sentence, which makes one aware that even in Berlin they take Von Wiegand's utterances with a liberal allowance of grains of salt.—Sportman.

The Appam Seizure.

With regard to the seizure of the Appam by the United States, the Marshal of Norfolk, Virginia, has received an official protest from Count Bernstorff.—Ex. Tel. Co.

The Destroyed Zeppelin.

The French artillery success in bringing down a Zeppelin was first announced in the following official communiqué issued from Paris on Monday night (21 Feb.)

A Zeppelin, flying from St. Menes towards the south, was brought down by the section of auto-guns of Revigny. Shot through by an incendiary shell it fell in flames in the neighbourhood of Brabant-le-Roi. It was about eight o'clock when the airship crossed the Argonne front, going to St. Menes. Flying past Revigny the Zeppelin was discovered by the automobile flashlights, and was fired at by an auto-cannon battery from that locality. One incendiary shell traversed the Zeppelin, setting fire to the huge airship, which fell at Brabant-le-Roi ten miles from Bar-le-Duc.

Enquiry shows that the Zeppelin was destroyed by the first shell. All the occupants were killed.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Germany's Paper Money.

Germany now has 6,500 million marks in paper money in circulation, and this amount is daily increasing, while the gold reserve is only 2,450 million marks. German bankers, recognising the danger, are requesting the public to assist in decreasing the paper money in circulation by using cheques, postal orders, etc. A proposal is afoot to get the Government to abolish the stamp duty on cheques and the banks to cancel their commissions on cheques.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Piper Laidlaw, V.C.

Piper Laidlaw, V.C., was presented by the Lord Mayor, at Mansion House with a gold watch, the gift of the Worshipful Company of Musicians, in recognition of his gallantry at Loos.

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Piper Laidlaw, who was played in by the Lord Mayor's Recruiting Band of Pipers, in his reply said:—"I must not take all the benefit, to myself, for if it had not been for the good work my regiment was doing at the time, I do not think I should have got the Victoria Cross." He then played "The Blue Bonnets," which he played on the parapet of the trenches during a hurricane of fire.

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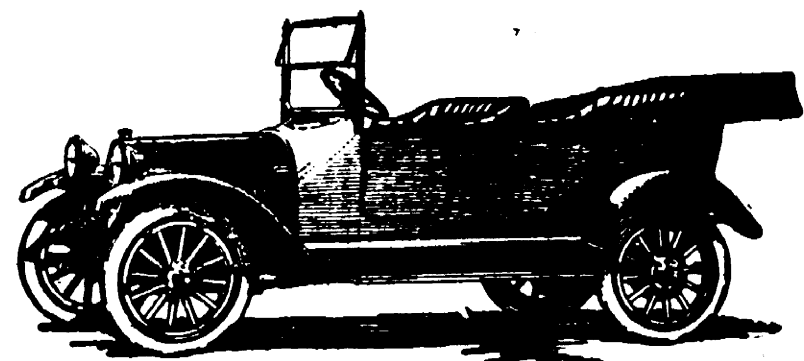
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TIME TABLE.

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

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BANGKOK-MEKLONG.				MEKLONG-BANGKOK.			
STATIONS.	Train No.			STATIONS.	Train No.		
	III.	VII.			II.	IV.	VI. VIII.
	A.M.	P.M.			A.M.	A.M.	P.M. P.M.
Km. B. Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya Dep.	10.50	3.50		Km. Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya Dep.	7.00	11.00	2.00 4.00
33.8 Meklong Arr.	12.10	5.10		33.1 Bangkok Arr.	8.20	12.20	3.20 5.20

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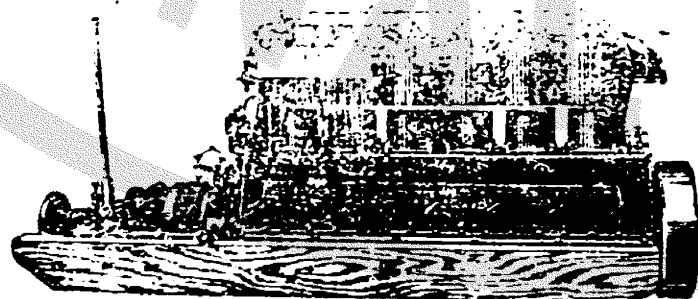
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F. M. S. War Loan.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)
Singapore, April 10.

The F. M. S. Government announce that subscriptions to the loan are coming in well and there is little doubt that the amount will be over-subscribed. It has been decided therefore to accept subscriptions up to the full amount of fifteen millions.

Tin and Rice.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)
Singapore, April 10.

Tin is quoted at \$96/25. Rice is unchanged.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE subscriptions to the Cruiser Fund now amount to Tes. 1,971,850.

MR. F. Bronnische of the S. E. Co. is leaving to-morrow by the s.s. "Anna."

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Chienkung line is imperfectly working. Nongkai and Ubol lines are in good order as far as Korat. Saigon line is interrupted. Malay Peninsular main line is in order as far as Surashtra. Tavoy line is imperfectly working.

NAI Bai, a soldier of the Royal Guards, attempted to commit suicide yesterday night by stabbing himself in the chest. He also stabbed another soldier afterwards but the injuries are said to be not very serious. It is said that the man is not of sound mind. Both men were taken to hospital.

At the Baltic Shipping Exchange, on 23rd February the prize steamer *Senegambia*, of 3,780 tons, which was built at Hamburg, in 1895, was sold by Messrs. C. W. Kelloc and Co. for the very high price of £273,000, equivalent to more than £19 per ton gross. As a Hamburg-America steamer, she was captured and taken into Hongkong, and has since been worked on behalf of the British Government. The first bid was £50,000. Like the *Pelkerrie*, which was put up for auction a week previously, the *Senegambia* was bought for French account. British, French, Belgian, and Italian buyers were allowed to bid. It was estimated by brokers that before the war possibly about £20,000 might have been offered for the *Senegambia*.

The Derby.

Whatever may be arranged in this country by the kaleidoscopic fancies of Ministers, who are still timorous of the touch of racing, it is at least certain that the Royal Calcutta Turf Club does not this year mean to be done out of its Derby Sweep, which will be opened on the 15th prox., the tickets being 10 rupees each, and issued, of course, only to members. To make sure of a run for the money the Sweep is under the following conditions:

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—Sportman.

Motley Reflexions.

"Invest me in my motley, and give me leave to speak my mind."

In these reflexions, I propose to write about frothy things, suitable for the hot weather, when even the air that issues from the mouth of pundits is sometimes not of the coolest. And if I sometimes appear to touch upon the serious side of things, I hope I may be excused since I shall only be following the precedence set by other jesters.

I have derived considerable amusement from reading about the "orrible crime" of the post-office jockies, who had the audacity to offer the hot weather as an excuse for dilatoriness in setting up a telephone instrument in a certain office "somewhere in Bangkok." It all seems to transport me right off to "somewhere in England," where the telephone and its vagaries have provided most welcome filling for the columns of "our contempt" during the silly season: and for that reason the post-office people here deserve my thanks, because I now feel that we are indeed getting on in civilisation when the telephone begins to provide grist to the local journalistic mill.

I do not know whether the correspondent who wrote to "our contempt" on the above-mentioned subject meant to be funny or not. In my opinion—and I may say that I am quite unsupported therein—I found both amusement and amazement. His explanation of the inherent excuse amused me (as I presume it was intended to amuse) at the expense of my own countrymen. The inherent inference I found in it was that hot-weather laziness was inherent in our nature, and of course it was right. One cannot help things like that "inhering." But what amused me was a rather queer idea that came suddenly into my head. Supposing we Siamese were to suddenly wake up and become frightfully energetic, what a gasp there would be among the journalistic fraternity here, perhaps to be followed by gnashing of teeth; for if we gave up being lazy, what on earth would they have to slum us about? A Siamese without his "inherent" laziness would be like a Spaniard without his "inherent" *mañanas*!

So much for the amusement I got out of the letter. The amusement was caused by that same correspondent's mention of the "inherent vowel" in Siamese words. Though myself a Siamese, it was the first time I ever knew that my language possessed an "inherent vowel," and I felt inclined to say that "there is no such thing." But to be on the safe side, I consulted a learned pundit, who informed me that there really is an "inherent vowel" in our language, though no one ever thought about it until it had been discovered and pointed out by a committee of learned members of the Siam Society. "Aha!" said I, trying with indifferent success to look like pictures of Sherlock Holmes, "then my deductions are that the man who wrote that letter must be one of the brainy members of the inner circle of the Siam Society!" As no Watson happened to be by me then, I proceeded to answer the question which Watson would have put had he been there, and said: "My dear Watson, it is quite simple. As no ordinary members of the Siam Society know anything about the inherent vowel, the man who knows must be one of the pundits in it!"

In Bangkok, other things "inhere" beside vowels, excuses, and hot weather: and some of these inherent things are pretty solid too. There are also certain "inherent" things that it is not well to be too inquisitive about, as a certain census official of my acquaintance discovered to his cost. This official's field of operations included a certain district "somewhere downtown." In trying to get the census papers filled in he had to put several questions which evidently caused some annoyance to some of the householders, because he got most unmercifully slated in the local papers for being unduly inquisitive. And, as a matter of fact, the official was over-inquisitive, and he was also utterly devoid of tact. Had he possessed this latter virtue, he would not have been too unduly inquisitive about the status of certain members of some households, since the status of such members should have been treated as merely something "inherent." Had I been in his place, I should have been content with merely putting down such a person's name, and in the column headed "occupation" I should simply have put a dash from which her "inherent" occupation could easily have been guessed. Then I should have escaped being slated in the papers!

But officials, especially minor ones, are always bound to be stupid or tactless, or both, which by the way is also a lucky thing for us who write for or to newspapers, because otherwise officials would not be the fair game that they are, and would deprive us of the pleasure of having something to complain about. Life without complaints would be as dull as ditch water.

SRI DRAGONJAL

Racing Notes.

There is evidently going to be a successful race meeting though from the spectator's point of view the races are not very interesting, being chiefly half miles and five furlongs. Surely those responsible for the programme might have put in a long race a day at least for people like to see long run races.

The training in the mornings has been going on as briskly as ever though the gallops are few and far between as the Royal Stables is doing the best part of the training in its own private course, while Mr. V. L. and V. K. have their animals round the Fremantle track.

The Royal Stables is very strong this meeting. With three good griffins and a new open class pony added to its number it appears as if the Stables will fare well.

It will be very interesting to see how Royal Page would show up in Bangkok. Though not the best of his class in the Straits he has been a very consistent runner. His best times are 5 furlongs 1.6 2/5 carrying 8.6; 6 furlongs 1.20 2/5 carrying 8.12 and the mile 1.31 2/5 carrying 10.12. Our record times are 5 furlongs 1.8 carrying 8.6 (by Mad Meg), 6 furlongs 1.22 1/5 carrying 8.3 (Sanddy), 1 mile 1.52 3/5 carrying 8.4 (Mad Meg).

On a comparison each of above times taking the weights proportionately would show a two second superiority or in distance about 10 lengths. Of course it must be borne in mind that our class is restricted to the heights 13.1 to 14 hands, while the Singapore heights are 14.2 and below.

In Singapore again the allowance for a quarter of an inch is 3 lbs. and in Bangkok 2 lbs.

It would be a good thing indeed if in ordering the next lot of griffins we could allow the heights to go up to 14.2. We may then be able to come to some friendly understanding with the Straits Racing Association for our mutual advantage.

Speaking of records I think the best record for the Far East for a half mile race is held by Flirt carrying 9.3 (53 3/5 seconds). If she retains her form, and why should she not taking her last meeting's times, she may yet break her own record carrying 8.7, that is, carrying 10 lbs less than she did before. Poor Mars what have you done in the past that you should be considered fit to give Flirt 7 lbs. at this distance?

In Race No. 6 while in form I think the race should end in an easy victory for the new comer. I am rather surprised at the handicap of the local ponies. Flirt carries 7.11 (or—9 lbs.), Sanddy 7.7 (or—15 lbs.), Mad Meg 8.2 (or + 4 lbs.). Now Sanddy carrying 8.4 has done this distance in the record time for Bangkok of 1.23 1/5. Flirt carrying 7.10 beat Mad Meg carrying 8.7 from pillar to post in a 7 furlong race in almost the record time of 1.38. It is pretty well known that Flirt is at her best from a half mile to 5 furlongs and still these are the handicaps.

Handicapping is no easy task. There are many things to be taken into account when handicapping, which every Tom, Dick and Harry does not know. So the best thing is to lie low and await results. Let us hope then that the handicaps will be found correct.

Greece and Allies.

Athens:—A statement issued here says:

"During his conversation with the King General Sarraill showed that the military measures taken by the Allies were irresistibly imposed by the situation, and he ventured the opinion that the King himself in similar circumstances would have done the same. No measure taken at Salonica or elsewhere, whatever its nature, was taken with the object of forcing Greece to abandon her neutrality.

"Greece was free to act according to her interests and to follow the policy which suited her. That was why, while recognising and greatly appreciating the utility of the Greek factor and the brave Greek Army, the Allies took their military measures as if the Greek factor might fail them. The military measures of the Allies were never intended to wound the susceptibilities of Greek national sentiment or Greece's Sovereign, whose great ability all admired and recognised.

"General Sarraill explained like a soldier to a soldier the great work accomplished to render Salonica impregnable, gave direct answers to questions, and cleared up several matters which had been the cause of various misunderstandings. He concluded his audience by expressing the hope that in future similar misunderstandings and other difficulties might be avoided.

Reuter. M. Edouard Helsey, correspondent of the "Journal," telegraphs from Salonica that when he left the palace (General Sarraill's face was beaming. "I am delighted with my interview. I am sure we will march shortly towards victory."—Exchange.

Various.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, April 9th.—Yesterday was calm. To-day east of the Meuse we made progress at Boyaux. We took a trench south of Douaumont. We repulsed two attacks at Caillette Wood.

Salonika: Artillery engagements are extending between Ghevgheli and Dorian.

Petrograd: In Galicia we broke a considerable offensive east of Podhoritz. In the Caucasus we are twenty-five kilometres from Trebizond.

Rome: We repulsed attacks at Carnia and Montenero.

The Only Peace.

Says the "Daily Mail" of February 24:—Mr. Asquith replied to Bethmann Hollweg's peace manoeuvres to-day.

For an hour and a half Mr. Snowden and Mr. Trevelyan, for the Peace Party, bumbled the possibilities of sweetly reasoning with Germany. "There is abundant evidence," said the former, "that such a thing may be done. (Silence.) Few will say that a decisive and crushing military victory can come to either contending armies." (Silence.)

Mr. Trevelyan asked for England's terms of peace to be stated. The interpretation which the German Chancellor had placed upon Mr. Asquith's past declarations was that Germany was to be "dismembered" and "finished for ever." An article by Mr. Masterman in the "Daily Chronicle" was being quoted all over Germany to show that it was the intention of the Government to take the German Rhine provinces and dismember the German Empire.

"I should not like it to go forth," said Mr. Asquith, "that the two members are the spokesmen of any substantial body of opinion. (Cheers.) I doubt very much whether either of them speaks for his own constituents. It is perfectly certain they do not speak for the democracy of Great Britain." Still, he welcomed the admissions even from them that the country was at one in demanding that the conditions of peace should be such that our ends should be permanently and honourably attained. Mr. Snowden had said that in a military sense we had reached a position of stalemate. "Time will show; his estimate of the situation is not mine. (Loud cheers.)

"The German Chancellor appears to have said he was willing to welcome approaches from other quarters. Everybody is ready to welcome approaches from other quarters! But he did not indicate that he was himself prepared to initiate them, and as he appears to have supplemented his statement by telling his fellow-deputies that Germany had shown herself not the enemy of small nations—Germany, which has annihilated and devastated Belgium—"Hear, hear!"—Germany, which has done her best to annihilate and devastate Serbia—"Hear, hear!"—and Montenegro—"Hear, hear!"—and Poland—I say such a statement can only be described as one of colossal and shameless audacity. (A volume of cheers.)

"He attached no value to the German Socialists. 'But I want to go to the root of the whole matter. Mr. Trevelyan asked, 'Why don't you state your full terms of peace?' I stated in clear, direct, explicit, and emphatic language what are the terms upon which we in this country are prepared to make peace, and I will repeat them to-day.

Allies' Determination. "At the beginning of the war, on November 9, 1914, I used this language, very familiar to this House, to our Allies, to our enemies, nobody knows it better than the German Chancellor, who chooses to pervert and misrepresent it: (Loud cheers.)

"We shall never sheathe the sword, which we have not lightly drawn, till Belgium—and I will add Serbia (loud cheers)—recovers in full measure all and more than all she has sacrificed; till France is adequately secured against menace and aggression, and till the right of the small nationalities of Europe are placed upon an unassailable foundation and until the military domination of Prussia is wholly and finally destroyed." (Great cheering.)

"I ask the German Chancellor. 'What is there wanting in clearness or directness?' How can I make it more full? How can I make it more intelligent? How can I or anyone do more to convince him and all our enemies that not until a peace based upon those foundations is within sight of attainment, not until then shall we or any of our gallant Allies abate by one jot the prosecution of the war." (Loud and prolonged cheers.)

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German News Service.

Headquarters, March 8.

Official. Western theatre: The French counterattack against the position reconquered by us east of Maison de Champagne has been repulsed. Only at the western wing, hand grenade combats are still on.

On the left bank of the Meuse, the Germans stormed the French positions on both sides of the Forges Backes, below Bethincourt, in a line which extends for six kilometers in breadth and is three kilometers deep, in order to effect a better communication with the new German position on the right bank of the Meuse, which now runs on the Southern end of the Cote de Talon and the Cote Poivre towards Douaumont. The village of Forges and Requeville and the heights of the forests of Corvau and Petite Cunières are in the hands of the Germans. The French counter-attacks against the south edge of these forests have all been repulsed with bloody losses for the French.

On a large part of the conquered positions hundreds perished. The Germans captured 58 unwounded officers and 3,277 soldiers, besides 10 cannon and other war material. In the Woivre plain, the enemy have been driven from the last house which they still held in Fresnoes. The number of prisoners taken there amounts to 11 officers and 700 men. German air squadrons bombarded the French villages west of Verdun.

Eastern theatre: Russian attacks at several places have been repulsed. The railway at Lyachovitchi, southeast of Baranovitchi Lanie, where lively traffic had been observed, has been bombarded successfully by German aviators.

Berlin, March 7.

Deutsche Ueberseezeitung: The London Times publishes a description of the conditions in Ireland and states that the attitude of Mr. Redmond, the leader of the Nationalist party of Ireland, in the House of Commons, on military questions, is generally disapproved by the Irish. The Irish volunteers are actively agitating against recruiting and against military service. The Irish volunteers all possess arms and are holding military practices in the open air; they are disturbing recruiting meetings in the streets of Dublin.

The General feeling is that England's war is not Ireland's war, the influence of the secret order Sinn Fein is spreading. The Times draws the conclusion that conditions in Ireland may become dangerous if the Government does not take measures of repression. It quotes remarks of several prominent Irishmen. One of them declares that Ireland will always be on the verge of starvation as long as it belongs to the British Empire. The Irish papers mention that Mr. Redmond, during his visit to the front, ought to have seen that it is criminal to entice Irishmen into an army where the soldiers get liquor before the engagements, so as to make them feel indifferent to danger.

Headquarters, Berlin, March 7.

Official. Western theatre: East of Maison de Champagne, the Germans captured the position which the French occupied on February 11. Two officers and 150 men were made prisoners. Northeast of Lachalade, after important morning operations, the Germans slightly pushed forward their positions. In the Meuse district, on the western bank, the artillery fire has again been lively. East of the river, the artillery fire has been maintained at medium violence. Apart from some engagements of reconnoitering parties, no hand to hand fighting has occurred. In the Woivre district, the Germans captured the village of Fresnoes, the French are still holding a few houses at the western boundary. The French lost more than 300.

A German airship heavily bombarded the railway establishment at Berle Due.

Headquarters, March 9.

Official. At many places on the front, there has been an increased intensity of the artillery activity on both sides. The French have reconquered the western part of the farm Maison Champagne, where hand grenade fighting occurred yesterday. West of the Meuse, in the Boiles Corvau, the Germans are occupied with cleaning the last French strongholds. East of the Meuse in order to shorten communication between Douaumont and the Woivre positions, the two reserve Regiments Nos. 6 and 12, under the command of General von Guretzki Cornitz, in a brilliant night attack, stormed the village and armoured fortress of Vaux, together with numerous connecting fortifications.

In a great number of airfights, in the Verdun region, the German aviators had the upper hand. Three of the enemy's aeroplanes were shot down. All the German aeroplanes returned, but several of the brave pilots were wounded. The enemy's troops in the villages west and south of Verdun were heavily bombed. A French air squadron attacked Metz, killing two civilians and damaging several dwelling houses. In the air combat, the aeroplane of the French air squadron's captain was shot down. The captain was made a prisoner; his companion was dead.

Eastern theatre: The Russian attacks against the German advanced positions were nowhere successful. It is now reported that a German airship, during

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the night of March 8, attacked the railway at Minsk and the enemy's troops at Mir.

Official. Austro-Hungarian telegram. Russian theatre: Detachments of Archduke Joseph Ferdinand's army, near Karpiloseka, drove the enemy from their entrenched positions and lodged themselves in it. Northwest of Tarnopol, an Austro-Hungarian detachment drove the Russians from a 100 metre trench, which has been filled up. At this place and on the Bessarabian front-

tier, the artillery has been more active on both sides.

(To be Continued.)

Russian newspapers report that a syndicate of banks has informed the Ministers of Finance that of the new loan of two milliards of roubles (£200,000,000), which the Minister proposes, it will subscribe one milliard (£100,000,000) at the issue price of 93. The subscription list will probably be opened on March 20.

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Germany.

The most recent news from the United States is presented to the German public as evidence of an elaborate Press intrigue against Count Bernstorff. The *Cologne Gazette* reasserted the doctrine that the German memorandum about submarine warfare is not a proposal but "a decision, which will take effect automatically in due time." It was added:—

If England succeeds in inducing the American Government to protest, we will rather—and this is the will of the whole German people—let it come to a breach than yield to this protest. We have reached the limits of our patience towards America. If our love of peace we have put up with actions on the part of the United States which could be only formally reckoned as neutral, and which in their practical effect were hostile acts. We are determined to say now, "Thus far and no farther." So we wait quite calmly to see whether the English intrigues in Washington will have success or not.

The *Cologne Gazette* also said that Germany would fearlessly stick to the path that she had "seen to be right," and not let herself be disturbed by "the waves of American party politics."

Erzrum: A Call for Hindenburg.

The remarkable article in the "Berliner Tageblatt" about the importance of the fall of Erzrum, ended with some daring criticism of the methods of the German Government.

The writer remarks that his statements about Erzrum will be not found to harmonize with "the tone which has become customary" in Germany during the war, but that "one does not live in this great and serious time in order to shirk with the help of a few cheap phrases its most pregnant problems." He says that, although people are willing to hope that everything is for the best, they are at present "astonished" that a great leader who entirely enjoys public confidence has for the past year been tied to duties which apparently could have been performed by some one else. This obviously means that the German public is sufficiently dissatisfied with the military situation to be clamouring for the appointment of Marshal von Hindenburg to some important command. Thus the Government is reaping the fruits of its own propagation of the Hindenburg legend.

Public Opinion and the War.

The *Tageblatt* proceeds:—
We wonder, although of course we say at once that there must be some good reason for these things. We are not quite so perfectly convinced as the generation of 1870 was that in every

case the best man in Germany is in the right post. Of course we do not doubt that there is the best will to fill every post most appropriately, and we do not even abandon this faith when things go otherwise than we unreasonably supposed that they would go.

Only one thing could disturb our faith—if the opinion were to be allowed to grow that this war and all its military and political events are a matter which does not concern the people. According to this view the people is expected to perform quietly of self-discipline, labour, however long it may last, and to wait patiently—not with the patience which comes of self-discipline, but with that tortoise-like patience which is the sign of the depression of intellectual life to the level of the beasts—for the moment when the people shall be informed that the war is now over, and that it may again open its eyes and look round.

We desire now already to try and see with our own eyes things which have happened and from which we now stand at a certain distance. And we desire to make a special effort in this direction if for important reasons it is not possible to disclose the whole connexion of events in public. It is the duty of the citizen to share to the best of his ability in the understanding of the events of the war, and, although it may be inconvenient, he cannot escape this duty, especially when he gets a warning from so serious an incident as the conquest of Erzrum by the Russians undoubtedly is.—"Times."

What a Flying Squadron is.

It has been decided by the Commonwealth military authorities, subject to approval by the Imperial War Office, to send a flying squadron to the front from Australia. The full complement of men will be made up in Australia, but the flying machines will be sent to the front from Great Britain. So efficiently has the Commonwealth Flying School been working since its establishment that a number of trained pilots are available for active service. A flying squadron consists of a headquarters staff and three "flights," which include one wireless "flight." The personnel for the whole squadron will number 28 commissioned officers and 181 other ranks. The wireless "flight" will have 7 officers and 74 men, while 7 officers will be attached to the headquarters staff as observers.

Germany's Zeppelin Losses.

I learn that the general opinion all over Germany is that Germany has lost 30 or 32 Zeppelins altogether, but had built so many that there are still 60 in existence.—Ex. Tel. Co.

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President Wilson's Formula.

New York:—President Wilson, in a speech to the Gridiron Club, has emphasized afresh, and in unprecedented manner, his determination to resist all attempts by Congress to force an abandonment of the right of Americans to travel in merchant ships belonging to belligerents. Speeches at the Gridiron Club, whose members are all journalists, are traditionally made in the absence of reporters, and it is at the special request of the President that his remarks at Saturday's banquet are now published.

The keynote of the speech was sounded in the following passages:—America ought to keep out of this war. She ought to keep out of this war at the sacrifice of everything, except this single thing upon which her character and history are founded. If she sacrifices that, she has ceased to be America, she has ceased to entertain and to love traditions which have made us proud to be Americans, and when we go about seeking safety at the expense of humanity, then I for one will believe that I have always been mistaken in what I have conceived to be the spirit of American history.

After arguing that no temporary convenience or expediency must lead the country either to be rash or cowardly, the President ended, amid the enthusiastic cheers of his auditors:—

I would just as much be ashamed to be rash as I would be to be a coward. Valour is self-respecting. Valour strikes only when it is right to strike. Valour withholds itself from all small implications and entanglements, and waits for a great opportunity, when the sword will flash as if it carried the light of Heaven upon its blade.

Spirit of the British Navy.

Addressing the members of the Swansea-Tipperary Club at a meeting presided over by Lady Lyons, Lady Jellicoe said her husband had written from the Iron Duke the following letter for her to read to them:—

"I know you will be meeting the wives and families of the men, and I trust you will tell them the magnificent spirit which prevails. Our troops have covered themselves with glory during the war. The Navy has not yet as a whole had any opportunity of showing that the old spirit which urged us to victory in the past is with us now; but where our men have an opportunity of fighting the foe above water they have shown that they possess the same pluck and endurance as our comrades ashore.

"Nothing ever has been finer than the calmness and courage shown in every case where ships have been sunk by mines or torpedoes. The discipline has been perfect and men have gone to their death most gallantly and most unflinchingly. One hears on all sides

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An Empty Shell.

Fort Douaumont Dismantled in 1914.

The French daily review says: "The German wireless announced the capture of Champ Neuville. Champ Neuville is still in the hands of the French. On the same day the German wireless claimed 10,000 French prisoners. At present the total French prisoners since the opening of the action is hardly half of that."

The Wolff Agency announced that the renowned fort of Douaumont, which constituted the north-east pillar of the angle of the principal line of permanent fortifications of Verdun, had been captured by assault by the Brandenburg Infantry Regiment 24 and was firmly in the hands of the Germans. The fort of Douaumont is by no means so important as the Germans make out. It was dismantled in the first months of the war and contains neither a gun nor a soldier. It is so far from being strongly held by the Germans that the French are to-day beyond the fort.—Reuter.


The French review of the day says: The entire Press regards the issue with equanimity. Unanimous confidence is expressed in the valour of the French troops and the calm lucidity of their leaders. The *Matin* writes that if the Germans, whose losses are so considerable, manage to take Verdun they will take only an empty shell, as all the provisions were removed many months ago.

The German Press celebrates the advance, but admits the extent of the losses by describing them as "bearable." The *Frankfurter Zeitung* admits that the extent of front gained is smaller than that gained by the French during September 1915.—Wireless Press.

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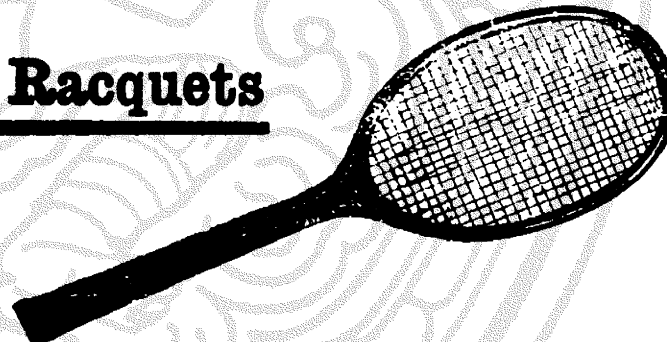
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On the motion for the second reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill in the House of Commons on Feb 23 Mr. Snowden raised the question of peace conditions, and said in his opinion the present was a favourable opportunity of holding out the hand of peace.

Mr. Asquith said he adhered to the full terms of settlement stated in his Guildhall speech. Not until peace on these terms was within sight would any of the Allies ease by one jot the prosecution of the war.

Japan and the Allies.

The *Marseilles* correspondent of the *Echo de Paris* says:—The new Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Koshiro Matsui, has arrived at Marseilles. He was received by Mr. Kikatal, First Secretary to the Japanese Embassy in Paris and by M. Schrameck, Prefect of the Bouches du Rhone. Mr. Matsui, who before his appointment to the Paris Embassy occupied the function of Director of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Tokyo, made the following statement to me:—

In Japan we follow with interest the development of the war, the issue of which leaves us in no doubt. The role of Japan, since the capture of Tsingtau, and the disappearance of the German cruisers which had sought refuge in the Pacific, is confined to supplying the Russians. All our factories are now working for Russia. Our industry has not yet reached its maximum development, but we are already furnishing material of all sorts. We like to think that this material has helped our Allies to gain their success.

Mr. Matsui added that he was instructed to hand to President Poincaré the Order of the Chrysanthemum, Japan's highest decoration.

To another interview Mr. Matsui said:—

We have been with the Allies since the beginning, and we shall remain with them until the end. Our fortunes are indissolubly connected, and nothing can separate them. Moreover, I am unshakably convinced of final victory. The war may end suddenly or may go on for weeks or months, but whatever happens our enemy will be beaten and their defeat will give to the world an era of peace.

According to the Paris correspondent of the *Morning Post* Mr. Matsui also stated categorically that after the war Kiachow would be handed back to China.

Dyes and Explosives.

Says The *Times*:—A strong plea for the establishment of the synthetic dye industry in this country as vital to our national safety was put forward by Mr. Milton S. Sharp at the annual meeting of the Bradford Dyers' Association (Limited), of which he is chairman.

Mr. Sharp (whose speech is reported at length in our financial columns) said that dyes and high explosives were made from the same raw materials. National safety must never again be jeopardized by the risk of shortage of high explosives, and whatever the cost the aniline dye industry must be fostered in this country.

When visiting Germany just before the war he saw all the large colour works. One German company alone was then employing about 10,000 men chiefly in making aniline dyes, and today, he was told, that company was employing about 14,000 men almost entirely on high explosives. Another factory was employing 9,000 men almost solely in making T.N.T. and picric acid for the German Government. He was told that three prominent German colour-making concerns increased their capital shortly before the war by 2½ millions in order to erect works to produce ammonia from the air. The yearly production was now reported to be 200,000 tons of ammonia, which was now being made into nitric acid. But for that plant the German supply of high explosives might now have ceased.

British Dyes (Limited) had done splendidly in face of great difficulties, but could not alone do what was needed. Closer cooperation between dyers and dye producers was necessary. The Allied Governments could do much to help the Allies and the Swiss colour makers by entirely prohibiting the use of any German dye on goods used in any Government Department. The directors favoured a grant-in-aid of, say £500,000 a year for a period, to be administered by an energetic and fearless Commission charged with securing the establishment of the industry here by grants on production and for enterprise and initiative. Whether import duties were imposed or not, special aid was needed to remove our dependence on Germany.

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M. Marcel Hutin writes in the *Echo de Paris*, "apropos the German offensive at Verdun, as follows:—

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Ban Phaji Dep. 9.57				Tha Sao " ...	7.1	2.21	...
Lopburi Arr. 11.5	1.55	5.48	...	Utaradit " ...	7.18	2.40	...
Chengket Dep. 12.34				Ban Dara Arr. 8.16	3.26
Pak'pho Arr. 2.17	5.40	...	9.5	Sawa'loke Dep. 7.—			
Pak'pho Dep. 2.26				Ban Dara Arr. 8.1	3.11
Pitsa'loke Arr. 6.	11.5	Ban Dara Dep. 8.24			
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Pitsa'loke Arr. ...				Pitsa'loke Dep. 1.45			
Ban Dara Dep. ...				Pak'pho Arr. 6.30
S'kaloke Arr. ...				Pak'pho Dep. 3.52			
Ban Dara Dep. ...				Chengket Arr. 6.21	...	9.32	12.23
Utaradit " ...				Lopburi Dep. ...	7.10	11.6	1.56
Tha Sao Arr. ...				Ban Phaji Arr. ...			
Den Chai " ...				Korat Dep.
Ban Meh " ...				Gengko " ...	7.12	11.32	1.52
Chang " ...				Ban Phaji Arr. ...			
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Gengko Arr. 11.7	1.26	5.51	...	Ayuthia " ...	7.13	9.25	1.23
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