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s.s. "Sardinia" Feb. 18	s.s. "Khyber"	20
s.s. "Rampur" Mar. 3	s.s. "Medina"	Apr. 1
s.s. "Nankin" Mar. 17	s.s. "Mongolia"	15
s.s. "Novara" Mar. 31	s.s. "Malwa"	29

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1916		1916	
s.s. "Nellore" leaves Singapore about	Feb. 10	due London	Mar. 16
s.s. "Mongara" do	do	do	Mar. 29
s.s. "Nore" do	do	do	Apr. 27

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s.s. "Nankin" Jan. 23	s.s. "Medina"	24
s.s. "Novara" Jan. 29		31
s.s. "Nankin" Feb. 6	s.s. "Mongolia"	Jan. 8, 1916
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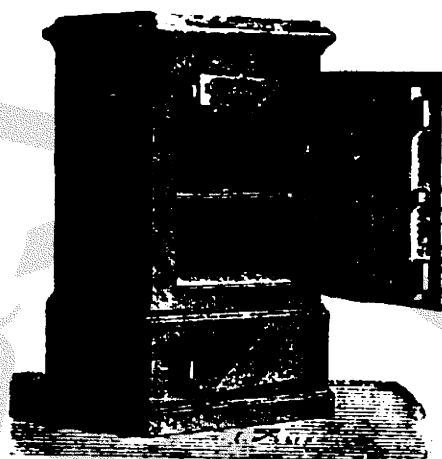
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s.s.	Departure	Date
s.s. "Redang"	...	22nd January 1916.
s.s. "Chutatch"	...	25th "
s.s. "Mahidol"	...	29th "
s.s. "Boribot"	...	1st February "
s.s. "Prachaitipok"	...	5th "
No Departure	...	8th "
s.s. "Tugala"	...	12th "
s.s. "Chutatch"	...	15th "
s.s. "Mahidol"	...	19th "
s.s. "Boribot"	...	22nd "
s.s. "Prachaitipok"	...	26th "
No Departure	...	29th "

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FOR JANUARY, 1916.

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

Jan.	P.M.			L. W. (Approx.)
	H. W.	Ft. & in.		
1	...	...	...	...
2	...	...	9-10	7-8
3	...	...	10-11	7-8
4	...	...	10-11	6-7
5	2 30	12 3	10-11	6-0
6	2 30	12 6	11-12	6-0
7	3 00	12 8	11-12	6-0
8	4 00	13 2	12-0	6-0
9	5 00	13 0	...	...
10	6 30	12 10	...	...
11	7 00	12 6	...	...
12	8 00	11 10	...	...
13	8 30	11 4	...	...
14	9 30	11 0	...	...
15	...	...	...	...
16	...	...	9-10	7-6
17	...	...	9-10	7-7
18	...	...	10-11	7-0
19	2 00	12 0	10-11	7-0
20	3 00	12 3	...	...
21	3 00	12 3	...	...
22	4 30	12 3	...	...
23	5 00	13 0
24	6 00	13 3
25	6 30	13 0
26	8 00	12 7
27	9 00	12 5
28	10 00	12 0	5-6	8-0
29	7-8	7-6
30	8-9	7-0
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PHASES OF THE MOON.		
Jan. 5th	New Moon	11.33 a.m.
12th	First Quarter	1.1 a.m.
20th	Full Moon	3.11 p.m.
27th	Last Quarter	7.17 a.m.

Bangkok Mails Close.

HONGKONG.
Friday 21st 2 p.m.
SINGAPORE.
Friday 21st 5 p.m.
SINGAPORE.
Saturday 22nd 10 a.m.
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To-day's Quotations

Bank Bills, demand 1/6 7/10

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Bank Bills, demand —

GERMANY—

Bank Bills, demand —

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HONGKONG—

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Items of Interest.

London, Jan. 14.—Italian wireless says that the Queen of Greece has been summoned to Berlin, owing to the Kaiser's illness. Other reports are that the whole family are going to Berlin.

Amsterdam, Jan. 14.—The Kaiser has telegraphed to the Sultan of Turkey, his great satisfaction on the enemy evacuation of Gallipoli.

Rome, Jan. 13.—A communiqué says, the artillery duel continued from Val Canonica to the sea. There is great aerial activity on both sides. Italian aviators dropped bombs on Gandolfo north of Trent, and also on the stations at Trento and Rovereto and the barracks at Volono.

The Berliner Tageblatt's Sofia correspondent states that the Franco-British forces in the Balkans, number a quarter of a million.

Rome, Jan. 13.—A communiqué reports that only lively artillery exchanges at various points have occurred. The Italian artillery caught troops with revictualing columns on the march in the Roder valley and in the vicinity of Seebach, dispersing them.

Amsterdam, Jan. 13.—Two sisters have been sentenced at Liege respectively to death and fifteen years penal servitude, and their uncle to fifteen years, for aiding Belgians to join the army.

Athens, Jan. 11.—Gratification is felt at the Entente granting Greece concessions for the import of foodstuffs. The release of a number of ships detained at Malta is expected.

London, Jan. 11.—Sir G. Reid, the retiring High Commissioner of Australia, has been elected unopposed for St. Germain, Hanover square, replacing Sir J. Henderson, the new peer.

Hongkong, Jan. 11.—Masquerading revolutionaries attacked another customs station near Yintin and seized the Englishman in charge until they had finished looting.

London, Jan. 12.—Reuter learns that the British colony of Bagdad was deported from the city to Mosul at the end of November by the Turkish authorities. The American Ambassador at Constantinople has been asked to

obtain information as to the party, consisting of nine ladies and children, and two men.

London, Jan. 12.—The funeral of Lord Burnham at Beaconsfield was a memorable event in British journalism. A large and distinguished congregation was present. The King and other members of the Royal Family were represented, also journalistic institutions at home and abroad. Members of both Houses and prominent men in literature, art, the drama, the Army and Navy also attended.

El Paso, Jan. 12.—The British Consul at Chihuahua telegraphs that seventeen people, believed to be Americans, were removed from a train by Mexican bandits, stripped of their clothing, robbed and shot to death.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—The Progressive National committee has resolved to hold a National Convention at Chicago on June 7 simultaneously with the Republican convention. Mr. Roosevelt will probably be the Progressive candidate for the Presidency.

Hongkong, Jan. 12.—Revolutionaries have raided two more customs stations. There were no casualties.

London, Jan. 12.—Sir Lawrence Jenkins has been sworn in on the Privy Council with a view to his sitting on the Judicial Committee.

London, Jan. 13.—In view of the refusal of merchants in the United Kingdom to complete contracts with Hongkong merchants, on the ground that the Hongkong people are not on the list of those to whom exports China-ward are consignable, under the proclamation of Nov. 30th, the Board of Trade has found it necessary and issues a notice calling attention to the fact that the proclamation does not apply to Hongkong.

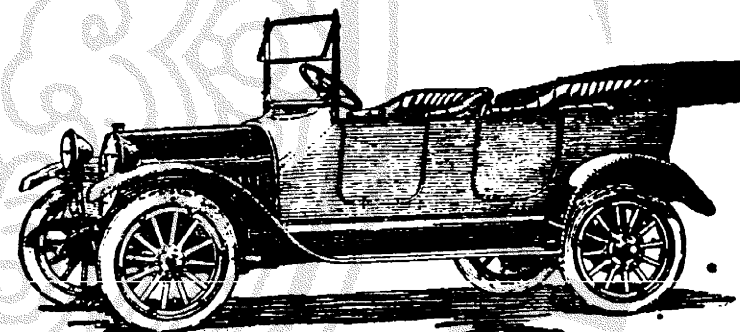
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TIME TABLE.

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 Nang	..					Klong Toi	..	8.00	11.00	2.15	5.15
Greng	..	6.40	9.40	12.55	3.55	*Ban Kluei	..	8.05	11.05	2.20	5.20
Chorakhe	..	6.45	9.45	1.00	4.00	Prakonong	..	8.10	11.10	2.25	5.25
*Samrong	..	6.50	9.50	1.05	4.05	Bangdjak	..	8.15	11.15	2.30	5.30
Bangna	..	6.55	9.55	1.10	4.10	*Bangna	..	8.20	11.20	2.35	5.35
Bangdjak	..	7.00	10.00	1.15	4.15	Samrong	..	8.25	11.25	2.40	5.40
Prakonong	..	7.05	10.05	1.20	4.20	Chorakhe	..	8.30	11.30	2.45	5.45
*Ban Kluei	..	7.10	10.10	1.25	4.25	*Ban Nang	..				
Klong Toi	..	7.15	10.15	1.30	4.30	Greng	..	8.35	11.35	2.50	5.50
Sala Deng	..	7.23	10.23	1.38	4.38	*Maha Wong	..	8.40	11.40	2.55	5.55
Bangkok	Arr.	7.30	10.30	1.45	4.45	Paknam	Arr.	8.45	11.45	3.00	6.00

Compulsion Bill.

London, Jan. 11.—In the House of Commons Mr. Redmond announced that the Nationalists would not further oppose the Compulsion Bill.

London, Jan. 12.—In the House of Commons the Labourite Anderson moved the rejection of the Compulsion Bill.

Mr. Will Thorne, interrupting declared that Mr. Anderson did not speak in the name of the Labour Party.

Mr. Anderson referred to the decision of the Labour Congress, and cried "What about the Soldiers?"

He declared that the number of actual slackers was negligible and that military necessity for the Bill had not been established.

Mr. Anderson said that the Clyde workmen regarded the Bill as the beginning of industrial compulsion. He believed that disaster would ensue if Government attempted to apply that principle.

Mr. Richard Lambert seconded. Mr. Redmond said the nationalists had made their protest, but they recognised the overwhelming support for the bill in the House and the country. Consequently they would not vote it in any shape or form. He hoped that the bill would rapidly become Law.

Sir Edward Carson scathingly denounced the opponents of the bill and emphasised that it is absolutely necessary in order to fulfil our obligations to our Allies. The evacuation of the Dardanelles and our inability to help Serbia were due to the shortage of men. What did injury to industry or industrial compulsion matter, if we lost the war? He would not shrink from conscription of property, if it raised funds to carry on the war. What did property matter if Britain was beaten? He was most disappointed at the way Government had dealt Ireland. Even now he appealed for Ireland to be included in the bill.

More of the Compulsion Bill.

London, Jan. 13.—The Miners' Federation met in London to consider the attitude towards the Compulsion Bill. The proceedings were private.

London, Jan. 13.—The minority on the Compulsion Bill included twenty-seven Radicals, ten Labourites, one Independent and a Nationalist.

The Irish Unionist M.P.s. have decided to move an amendment in the committee stage making the Bill apply to Ireland.

A plebiscite taken by the Notts Miners' Association shows a large majority in favour of the Bill.

Prominent Liberal M.P.s. have formed an organisation whose object is the prosecution of the war by the most vigorous means.

The candidates at Mile End are:—Unionist, Mr. Warwick Brookes; Independent, Mr. P. Billing, formerly of the Naval Air Service; Mr. Charrington, mentioned in the wire of the 10th as a probable candidate, has withdrawn.

The Conference of the Future.

London, Jan. 13.—Speaking at a luncheon, Sir George Reid, at the National Liberal Club, Islington, said that he hoped that during the course of the year a Conference of Dominion Premiers would be held with a view of deciding the Empire's industrial, economic and defensive problems, and that the members of the Conference might find it feasible and agreeable to open their doors to India, which has contributed her full share in the great imperial ordeal, and whose interests in the future would be so interwoven with those of the other parts of the Empire, that no Imperial Conference, would be complete which did not include India. (Cheers.)

After the war there must be an adjustment of inter-imperial relations, which must never be the subjects of party conflicts. After the magnificent loyalty of our fellow subjects in India, we must be more anxious than ever to assist the development of that part of the Empire, as well as every other part, as rapidly as possible.

All Over The World.

Brisbane, Jan. 11.—An earthquake has destroyed the suburbs of Rabaul in New Guinea, the former German capital.

Wilmington, Jan. 13.—A fifth explosion in two days has destroyed more property at Dupont powder works.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Mr. Lansing has demanded that Carranza shall promptly punish the bandits.

El Paso, Jan. 13.—Thomas Holmes, the only American to escape massacre at Chihuahua, says that nineteen were murdered. There were three hundred bandits. Holmes bolted when asked to undress.

Paris, Jan. 11.—In the Chamber M. Briand said that forty millions sterling had been subscribed abroad, whereof twenty-four millions was in England, towards the French loan.

London, Jan. 14.—The total subscriptions for the French loans amount to six hundred and five million sterling.

Melbourne, Jan. 13.—Replying to resolutions of the Associated Chambers of Manufacturers with the object of preventing Germany from regaining Australian trade after the war, Mr. Hughes, the Premier, said that it would be incredible folly if victory left Germany in possession of economic opportunities.

The war must be carried out in the industrial field as determined a fashion as in the battlefield. He did not favour trade with Germany at any time.

From the Fronts.

Paris, Jan. 11.—The communiqué says that fresh intelligence from Champagne confirms that our artillery, trench defence and counter-attacks rendered completely abortive the important enemy attack by at least three divisions.

Our counter-attacks and grenade fighting last night have driven the Germans from their observation posts which they have been holding except in a small rectangle where they are holding out with difficulty. Our fire, particularly of our artillery, inflicted very heavy losses on the Germans.

London, Jan. 12.—Major General Sir H. S. Rawlinson is gazetted temporary General.

The Great Offensive.

Paris, Jan. 12.—A Petrograd telegram says that the Russian offensive is general from the River Pripiet to the neighbourhood of the Rumanian frontier. Austro-Germans are concentrating great forces with a view to regaining the reverses of Jan. 10, when the strong Styra line was forced and the east bank of Styra cleared.

Intense frost followed by a thaw is converting the trenches into rivers.

Standstill in Mesopotamia.

London, Jan. 11.—In the House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain announced that owing to weather conditions and the necessity of sending the wounded away by river General Aylmer was still halted at Sheikh Saad. The enemy was located by cavalry six miles eastward of Kut-el-Amara which was the scene of General Townshend's original battle.

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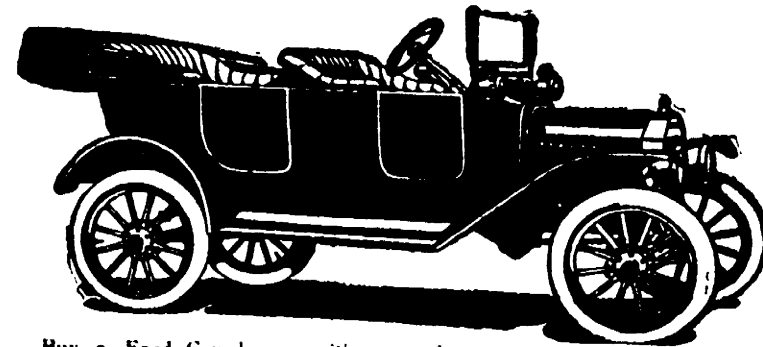
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Ban Phaji Dep.	9.57	12.37	4.30	...	Tha Sao	...	7.1	2.21	...
Lopburi Arr.	11.5	1.55	5.48	...	Utaradit	...	7.18	2.40	...
Chengket Dep.	12.33	3.38	...	7.25	Ban Dara Arr.	8.16	3.26	...	...
Pak'poh Arr.	2.17	5.40	...	9.54	Sawa'loke Dep.	7.00	2.10	...	...
Pak'poh Dep.	2.26	6.30	...	...	Ban Dara Arr.	8.1	3.11	...	...
Pitsa'loke Arr.	6.00	11.5	...	...	Ban Dara Dep.	8.24	3.32	...	...
Pitsa'loke Dep.	...	...	...	...	Pitsa'loke Arr.	10.43	5.30	...	...
Ban Dara Arr.	...	9.5	4.18	...	Pak'poh	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.
Ban Dara Dep.	...	3.20	4.40	...	Pitsa'loke Dep.	1.45	...	...	7.00
S'kaloke Arr.	...	10.21	5.41	...	Pak'poh Arr.	6.20	...	...	10.34
Ban Dara	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	Pak'poh	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.
Utaradit	...	9.10	4.26	...	Chengket Arr.	6.21	...	9.22	12.26
Tha Sao	...	10.6	5.29	...	Lopburi Dep.	...	7.10	11.6	1.56
Den Chai	...	10.15	5.38	...	Ban Phaji Arr.	...	8.30	12.21	3.4
Ban Meh	...	11.57	...	...	Korat Dep.	...	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.
Chang	...	...	3.8	...	Gengko	...	7.12	11.32	1.52
Ban Phaji Dep.	10.00	12.30	4.41	...	Ban Phaji Arr.	...	8.22	12.29	2.59
Gengko Arr.	11.7	1.26	5.51	...	Ban Phaji Dep.	6.27	8.37	12.44	3.14
Korat	...	6.8	Ayuthia	...	7.13	9.25	1.23
Bangkok Dep.	7.45	3.50	Bangkok Arr.	9.28	11.35	3.16	6.00
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THE FIRST SURRENDER IN THE WAR.

The news confirmed to-day by a Rome telegram is to the effect that Montenegro has surrendered to the Central Powers under conditions. The King of Montenegro who is the father of the Queen of Italy has evidently telegraphed to his daughter that he was compelled to surrender in order to save the nation from ruin. About five weeks ago the Austro-German forces successfully attacked the Montenegrin positions storming their lines at several points. During this attack the Montenegrins lost 80 guns, 160 munition carts, 40 motor cars, 12 field ovens, thousands of rifles and other war material. Despite these heavy losses for a small state it may be said in favour of the Montenegrins that for five weeks since this attack they have been fighting against heavy odds and in many instances during the German fighting with Serbians there have been Montenegrin soldiers counted among the Serbian prisoners showing that the nation which has now chosen to submit to the Central Powers had in the past done its share of the fighting with their Serbian allies. To many the end of Montenegro's fighting will appear inglorious, but when of all times in this cold winter weather the whole country is devastated by masses of Austro-German troops together with Bulgarian soldiery the action of the King and his Ministers in entering into parleys and discussing peace terms to save the country from ruin and the inhabitants from the horrors of a winter famine may not appear so contemptible a proceeding as at first sight.

A Gang Robbery.

Yesterday at 8 p.m. a Chinese trader's floating house situated at the mouth of Klong Bang Kunon, which is a small inlet running into the main Bangkok Noi Klong, was set upon by five armed robbers, who fired into the house killing two persons named Chin Dah and Chin Thun. Another named Chin Hong Kun, was seriously wounded and died later in hospital. The robbers fled with, it is said, cash to the value of 100 taels. They have not yet been arrested. One of the inmates of the house, it is said, succeeded in escaping.

Freights Ho!

We understand that the s.s. Profit is homeward bound from Saigon whence she will proceed after finishing her twelfth year survey in Singapore. From Saigon the Profit will take a cargo of rice for Havre at the exceptional freight of 160s. per ton. This should work out about £13,600 sterling of which at least £10,000 will be net profit.

The Navy League.

The subscriptions to the Cruiser Fund on the 18th instant amounted to Tcs. 2,201. The total now amounts to Tcs. 1,831,335.

For prices of good official and mercantile paper please see advertisement on page 7.

**Court Circular.**

SANAM CHANDRA,
Tuesday, Jan. 18.

This evening at 8.30 His Majesty the King gave a dinner party at Sanam Chandra Palace in honour of Cavalier Aroldo Manacordo, His Italian Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary accredited to this Court.

Besides the Italian Minister, Madame Manacordo and the Minister's mother, the following had the honour of being invited:

His Royal Highness Prince Devawongse, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Her Serene Highness Princess Bichitra, daughter of His Royal Highness Prince Devawongse. Their Excellencies Chao Phya Yomraj, Minister of Local Government and Lady Yomraj;

Chao Phya Abhai Raja, Minister of Justice;

Chao Phya Dharma, Minister of the Royal Household and Lady Dharma;

Chao Phya Surasinha Visithsakdi, Minister of the Interior;

First Grand Chamberlain Phya Burus Ratna Rajbhallabh, Major of the Palace;

Deputy General Phya Rajavallabha, Captain General of His Majesty's Gentlemen-at-Arms;

Lieutenant-General Phya Deb Arjun, Chief Aide-de-Camp General;

Second Grand Court Officer Phya Maha Amata, Viceroy of the Western Provinces and Lord Lieutenant of Nagor Jaisri Circle;

Second Grand Court Officer Phya Sri Sundara Nohar, His Majesty's Private Secretary;

Second Grand Court Officer Phya Sriravongse, Chief Secretary to the Privy Seal;

Third Grand Court Officer Phya Bamroe Bhakdi, Grand Marshal of the Court;

Third Grand Court Officer Phya Sri Kridakara, Assistant Marshal of the Court;

Third Grand Chamberlain Phya Scharit Dharurong, Principal Gentleman of the Bed Chamber;

Third Grand Chamberlain His Serene Highness Prince Piyabutra, Secretary to the Board of Grand Chamberlains;

First Councillor Phya Boriraksh Chaturong, Acting Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs;

Deputy Grand Chamberlain Chao Mun Sri Sararaksh, Assistant Master of the Horse;

Lieutenant Colonel Luang Balabhi-raksh Seni, Aide-de-Camp, Commander of the 12th Infantry Regiment.

SANAM CHANDRA.

Wednesday Jan. 19.

This evening at Sanam Chandra Palace His Majesty the King gave a farewell dinner in honour of Judge Skinner Turner, the late Judicial Adviser, on the occasion of his approaching departure from Siam after a long and faithful service rendered to His Majesty's Government.

On this occasion His Majesty was graciously pleased to confer upon Judge Skinner Turner the Ratnabhorn Personal Order (Third Class).

Besides the retiring Judicial Adviser and Mrs. Skinner Turner, the following had the honour of being invited:

Their Excellencies Chao Phya Abhai Raja, Minister of Justice; Chao Phya Dharma, Minister of the Royal Household; Chao Phya Sri Vijai, Assistant Minister of the Royal Household; First Grand Chamberlain Phya Burus Ratna Rajbhallabh, Major of the Palace;

Deputy-General Phya Rajavallabha, Captain-General of His Majesty's Gentlemen-at-Arms; Lieutenant-General Phya Deb Arjun, Chief Aide-de-Camp General; Vice-Admiral Phya Maha Yodha, A. D. C., Commander of the Bangkok Naval Station and Lady Maha Yodha; Second Grand Chamberlain and Major-General Phya Prasiddhi Subhakara, His Majesty's Lord Chamberlain and Assistant Aide-de-Camp General; Second Grand Court Officer Phya Chakrapani, Legal Councillor to His Majesty; Third Grand Court Officer Phya Bamroe Bhakdi, Grand Marshal of the Court; Third Grand Councillor Phya Bijet Bisee Bisai, Chief Justice of International Court; Third Grand Court Officer Phya Sri Kridakara, Assistant Marshal of the Court; Judge M. F. Buzard, Judge Turner's successor as Judicial Adviser, and Mrs. Buzard; First Councillor Phya Siriraj, Governor of Nagor Pathom; First Court Officer Phya Nandison Surendrabhakdi, Chief Secretary of the Ministry of the Royal Household; Grand Captain Phya Maha Deb, Royal Body Guard of Gentlemen-at-Arms; Deputy Grand Chamberlain; Chao Mun Sri Sararaksh, Assistant Master of the Horse; First Councillor Phya Jayasatra Rajabhabadi, Chief Justice of the Court of Nagor Jaisri Circle; Vice-Chamberlain, His Serene Highness, Prince Jajavalit, Gentleman of the Bed Chamber.

Courting Rumania—With Coal.

From Geneva and Bucharest information comes to hand that both Germany and Russia are sending enormous quantities of coal to Rumania. Russia lately sending 5000 wagon loads.—Ex. Tel. Co.

The P. and O. S. N. Co. Defence of the Realm Regulations.

In the report of the proceedings of the 15th annual meeting of the P. and O. S. N. Co. held in December last the Chairman, the late Rt. Hon. Lord Luchea, in the course of his remarks reviewing the work of the company for the previous 12 months said that no less than 42 ships of the company's fleet of 60 had been engaged in Government service one time or another. The Board have in consequence had a considerable strain put upon them to maintain the regular mail services but so far they have not been obliged to cancel a single departure. The bulk of the remainder of the fleet has been hard run maintaining their onerous mail contract. The only vessels they have under construction are two high-class mail steamers. The Board, however, have an extensive building programme in view and as soon as circumstances permit, they will arrange for the construction of a number of vessels. The speaker regretted to say that since the issue of the report their cargo steamer "Socotra" had been wrecked in the English Channel. There was no loss of life. He was sorry to say that the British India steamer "Umea" 5,312 tons, had been torpedoed in the Mediterranean within the last few hours. The fate of half of the crew, or nearly half, is not yet ascertained and they are reported as missing.

The shareholders will be glad to know that the amalgamation of the P. & O. and the British India Companies which was completed about 15 months ago is working in every respect satisfactorily and that considerable advantages have already been realized by the complete fusion of interests. Something like 480 of the Companies' officers and engineers have gallantly joined His Majesty's service, mostly afloat; 16 have been wounded and 27 killed.

In concluding the chairman said:— "I have now to propose that a dividend for the half-year ended 30th September last of 2½ per cent. on the Preferred Stock, less Income Tax, and a dividend of 5 per cent. with a bonus of 5 per cent. on the Deferred Stock, free of Income Tax, as recommended in the Report be now declared, and that payment of the same be made on and after the 15th instant."

The resolution was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Golf Notes.

The "Tilke" Cup is to be played for on Sunday next, January 23rd, and the lottery will be sold at 6 p.m. on Saturday.

Players must take a competition card and enter their names in the competition book.

The following is the result of the draw:—

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P. Scott
E. S. Smith
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J. S. Forrest
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J. King
C. L. Groundwater
H. Leatherbarrow
P. Christmas
D. Couper Johnston
D. L. Perrins
A. W. Beaman

It is requested that all cards be returned.

THERE is a good deal of individual luck in war. There are, for example, a correspondent of the "Newcastle Chronicle" points out, the experiences of the Brothers Taylor, of Crook, sons of Mr. E. Taylor, who was the Durham county hockey goalkeeper years ago. Fred Taylor is in the 1st Life Guards, and from August, 1914, to this week has gone through without a scratch. His brother, Eddie, who is in the 1st Coldstream Guards, has not been so fortunate. Shortly after the war he was seriously wounded. Recovering, he went out again, and was again wounded. For the third time, and on this occasion at the Hohenzollern Redoubt, he was badly injured by a bomb. He is, however, mending rapidly.

We have received from the British Legation the following list of regulations relating to passports of passengers entering or leaving the United Kingdom:—Regulation 14, c.—(1). A person coming from or intending to proceed to any place out of the United Kingdom as a passenger shall not, without the special permission of a Secretary of State, land or embark at any port in the United Kingdom unless he has in his possession a valid passport issued to him not more than two years previously, by or on behalf of the Government of the country of which he is a subject or a citizen, or in the case of a person coming from a place outside the United Kingdom, either such a passport or some other document satisfactorily establishing his nationality and identity.

To every such passport and document as aforesaid there must be attached a photograph of the person to whom it relates.

In the case of British subjects resident in Ireland special permission to embark may be given by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland instead of by a Secretary of State.

(2). If any person lands or embarks in contravention of this regulation, or if where any such special permission to land has been granted by a Secretary of State subject to any conditions, the person to whom it was granted fails to comply with any such condition, he shall be guilty of a summary offence against these regulations.

(3). For the purposes of this regulation the expression "passenger" includes any person carried on a ship other than a master or persons employed in the work or service of the ship.

A permit from the Secretary of State will only be granted in exceptional cases, e.g. where a person whether British or alien is for some reason ineligible for a passport.

A permit from the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland will be issued in proper cases to British subjects resident in Ireland in lieu of a passport.

British male subjects of military age (i.e. between the ages 18 and 41) who desire to leave the United Kingdom (a) if resident in England, Scotland or Wales must hold either a passport issued by the Foreign Office on or after November 15th, 1915, or a passport issued before November 15th, 1915 which has been vided by the Foreign Office since that date; (b) if a resident in Ireland must hold either a passport or a vided passport as specified in (a) or a permit issued by the Lord Lieutenant.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Latest telegrams will be found on page 6.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that all lines are in order.

THE s.s. "Kuala" will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf at daylight on Saturday the 22nd inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday at daylight.

THE Race Course will be open from to-morrow for training. Breakfast will be served at the Sports Club to trainers and owners at 7 o'clock every morning.

THE following passengers are leaving by the s.s. "Kuala" on Saturday morning:—Mr. G. S. Sanderson, Mr. V. A. For, Mr. C. A. Edgar, Mr. H. A. E. Jaelme, Mr. C. H. Coffin, Mr. F. C. Saunders, and Mr. W. S. Davies.

We learn to-day that the s.s. Drufar did not carry any passengers on the news we had yesterday that an N.D.M. Captain had been arrested in the Gulf although coming from a reliable source is, we find, not correct.

THE report of the Medical Officer of Health for the week ending 15th January gives 5 deaths from communicable diseases as having occurred in the city of Bangkok. Of these 4 died of bubonic plague on the 11th and 12th and one of cholera on the 13th instant.

DESPATCHES from Vienna announce that the Chamber of Commerce and Industry at Gorizia has just transferred its headquarters to Vienna, having remained in the breach until its buildings were struck by Italian shells and until all business at Gorizia had completely ceased.

THE Annual General Meeting of the Singapore Sporting Club takes place to-day. According to the statement of accounts there is a net profit of \$1,786.18 after deducting \$9,343.40 for depreciation. The Committee is of opinion that the members are to be congratulated on the result of the decision to hold race meetings.

A FOOTBALL match between the following teams will be played at the Sports Club on Saturday:—Colours: Jenkins, Sutton, Deacon, Selley, Bowdon, Rasmussen, McDonald, Ramsay, Gronneman, Robertson, Forrest, Whites, Parmentier, Pollard, Finnie, Reith, Findlay, Cranmer, Wooller, Roberts, Jones, Halls, K. O. 4.45 p.m. Referee Mr. D. Robertson.

THE Great War.

The Western Front.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Jan. 18.

Yesterday we inflicted appreciable losses on the enemy between Westende and Middelkerke. We damaged enemy works between the Somme and Aisne and bombarded and set on fire enemy depots on the heights of the Meuse.

To-day there has been intermittent cannonading.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Jan. 19.

A Paris communique says that there have been intermittent cannonades.

Auxiliary Warship Foundered.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Jan. 19.

Copenhagen.—A small merchantman converted into an auxiliary warship has foundered on the island of Aero. The fate of the crew is unknown.

[Aero is a little island between Schleswig and southern Denmark.]

Montenegro Comes to Terms.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Jan. 19.

Rome.—It is stated that Austria and Montenegro have come to terms. The latter cedes Lovchen in exchange for her Adriatic ports and her independence. King Nicholas has issued a proclamation in which he stated that it was matter of either surrender or ruin.

Penang Golf Championship.

(S. O. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, Jan. 19.

Mr. Crabbe has defeated Mr. R. T. Read in the final for the Penang Golf Championship.

Mr. Guy Tyler.

(S. O. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, Jan. 19.

Mr. Guy Tyler of Inch Kenneth Rubber Estates Ltd., lieutenant of the 3rd Highland Light Infantry attached to the 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers, has been awarded the Military Cross. He has since been shot in the head and his eyesight has been seriously affected.

Tin and Rubber.

(S. O. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, Jan. 20.

Tin is quoted at \$85.70.

Rubber has improved leading to the resumption of share activity and higher quotations. At the local auctions 330 tons were offered of which 256 tons were sold. There was a good demand and prices were better.

Last week sheet received 3/8d. and crepe 3/8jd.

THE British s.s. "Kuala" which arrived from Singapore yesterday was stopped by a British Torpedo Destroyer outside the Koh Chuang light-house on Tuesday night while the Nor. s.s. Prodnose came up to Bangkok yesterday without experiencing any stoppage on the way.

NEW Ads.—X. Y. Z. c/o "Siam Observer" advertises for an experienced clerk. The B. M. C. Ltd. have received a fresh supply of pheasants by the s.s. "Kuala." Dixy Davis and Yambou will give a musical and vaudeville concert at the Phathanalai Theatre on Wednesday the 26th inst. The Phathanakorn Cinematograph announce a change of programme for to-night.

THE "Bollettino Commerciale" says:—"We have pleasure in bringing to the notice of our readers two more commercial reports by Mr. Goffredo Boro, of the Royal Italian Legation in Bangkok, edited by the Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome. The author deals with his usual competence with the trade of Siam for the years 1913-14 and 1914-15 making interesting remarks on the present conditions of trade in that country. The pamphlets should be much appreciated in our commercial quarters."

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Activity In The Baltic.

THE use of puttees in the trenches is condemned by the "Lancet," which states that among the French troops, in which cases of trench foot have been notably fewer than in the British, they are not worn. The puttee can obviously be kept for home and review purposes, says the "Lancet," in expressing the hope that sufficient waterproof material is available to provide high stockings for every soldier at the front.

The Swedish Government has decided that belligerent submarines in the Baltic and elsewhere must not stay inside Swedish territorial waters. Certain parts of the Sound are excepted. If submarines owing to the weather or breakage, are compelled to go inside territorial waters, they must lie on the water with the flag of their nationality showing.

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Great War.

Germans Evacuating Pinsk.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Jan. 18.

Petrograd. — Fighting continues in the regions of Riga and Dvinsk. The enemy is evacuating Pinsk.

Splendid Co-operation.

London, Jan. 11. — In the House of Commons, Mr. Lewis moved, with a view to increasing the power of the Allies for the prosecution of the war, that the Imperial Government should enter into immediate consultation with the Dominions in order, with their aid, to bring the whole economic strength of the empire into co-operation with the Allies in a policy directed against the enemy.

Mr. Runciman said that if the empire husbanded its resources and outlasted the enemy, then an almost irreparable disaster would befall Germany. He was of opinion that as the Dominions were determined to raise revenue and foster their industries in their own way, we must discuss the idea of Free Trade within the empire. He thought the same regarding the Zollverein, including the Allies. Nevertheless he was prepared to make any arrangement to end the war successfully. The Empire was capable of recuperating faster than other countries. Consequently it must aid the Allies in the future, and it must be made clear when peace was signed that Germany should never again be permitted to make economic war with her neighbours. A good deal had been done in developing trade in which Germany formerly had a monopoly.

Mr. Runciman emphasised the necessity for improving research and educational methods, and the extension of commercial banking.

"The Board of Trade are looking ahead, but have in some matters to seek the co-operation of the Dominions. There has been nothing more wholehearted than the support that the Dominions have given in the supply of metals. As regards shipping no privilege should be given which is not enjoyed by our ships."

Mr. Lewis's resolution was adopted without a division.

Hongkong Disruption.

Governor May is Soud.

London, Jan. 12. — In the House of Commons, replying to questions regarding the resignation of unofficial members of the licensing board of Hongkong, as the result of the restoration to Germans of the licences of two of the Chief Hotels in the City, Mr. Bonar Law said that the places of the resigning members had been quickly filled. He assured the House that no one was less Pro-German than the Governor of Hongkong.

Austria.

London, Jan. 11. — The Foreign Office has received a communication from the Austro-Hungarian Government through the United States embassy relative to the intended repatriation, on board the Golconda, of the wives and children of Austrians interned in India. Their husbands had requested the United States Consul at Bombay to see that the ship bore distinct signs denoting her purpose and that everything be done to secure their safety. The Austro-Hungarian Government through the United States embassy at Vienna forwards to the British Government these reports, adding "We will hold Great Britain responsible for the lives of the passengers, the majority of whom are better class people."

Sir E. Grey replied that he is astonished that the Austro-Hungarian Government, which is one of the authors of the submarine danger, should ask Great Britain to take special precautions to protect this ship against submarine attack. Moreover he is at a loss to know why "better class people" should be more entitled to protection from submarines than other non-combatants. He points out that the only danger threatening these passengers is one for which Germany and Austria-Hungary are alone responsible and by asking for special precautions to protect her own subjects on board a British vessel the Austro-Hungarian Government recognise what is the inevitable consequence of their submarine policy, and admit that the Lusitania, Persia and other sinkings without warning were not the result of casual brutalities of submarine officers but part of a settled and premeditated policy of the enemy Government. He concludes that the Government does not propose to take any precautions on behalf of these subjects which it would not take on behalf of British subjects, and if they suffer from a submarine attack the responsibility must solely rest with those who made such attacks a part of their ordinary methods of warfare.

War Un-economics.

"I Say" not "I Do."

London, Jan. 11.—The Government has earnestly considered the financial position of the country and the great and increasing demands still to be made on its resources to meet the needs of the war, the imperative need for economy in view also of the general advance of wages and the measures to be taken to tax or limit profits. They have come to the conclusion that in view of the pressing emergency any further advances of wages should be strictly confined to the adjustment of local conditions and that all other applications for advances be refused.

London, Jan. 11.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Runciman said the value of British property, registered with the public trustee, located in Germany was estimated at seventy-two millions and German property in Britain at 105 millions.

Johannesburg, Jan. 12.—The Transvaal gold output for 1915 was 38,627,461 sterling, an increase of 3,030,306.

The delegates of the South Wales miners have voted by 211 to 35 against the Compulsion Bill.

London, Jan. 13.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Tennant estimated the military wastage for the current year at 15 per cent monthly.

Paris, Jan. 12.—The Belgian Government is sending a note to neutrals protesting against the exactions of the Germans from Belgium, amounting to £19,200,000, which is contrary to the Hague convention.

Artillery War Continues.

Western Front.

London, Jan. 12.—Maj. General L. E. Kiggell has been appointed temporarily Lieutenant General.

Italy V. Austria.

Rome, Jan. 12.—A communique says: The enemy fired incendiary shells over our positions northeast of Rovereto causing a big fire. The Italians are advancing very daringly in the Lagazuoli valley and wrecked the Austrian trenches by means of grenades.

There was an obstinate artillery bombardment on the upper and middle Isonzo which the Italians effectively countered.

The Austrians resumed long range fire on the lower Isonzo and struck a military hospital. Four patients were killed and eight wounded.

Austria V. Montenegro.

London, Jan. 12.—A Montenegrin communique says: there has been further desperate fighting on all fronts. On the Northern and Eastern the enemy was everywhere repulsed with heavy losses, especially in the vicinity of Berane and Rugovo, where he lost two machine guns. A battle is raging on the Herzegovinian front. The Austrians brought up twenty-three battalions and eighty guns with a great number of machine-guns. All their assaults were repulsed. The Austrians continue a violent attack on Lovtchen. We recaptured the important position of Kuk but were unable to retain it.

London, Jan. 13.—Apart from an affair in the vicinity of Ponevieve railway, where the Russian aviators cut two rows of wire entanglements and then dislodged Germans from their trenches with hand-grenades, the Russian communique reports only small encounters of reconnoitring parties at various points on the western front.

Contrariwise the Austrians report fiercest fighting on the Bessarabian frontier, the Russians after an intense

artillery preparation, making six attacks between three in the afternoon and ten at night.

Ammunition Store Blown Up.

Amsterdam, Jan. 12.—A Berlin communique says that yesterday an ammunition storehouse at Willelin in the southern section of Lille exploded, wrecking the adjacent street.

Up to now seventy dead and forty seriously wounded were found in the debris. The communique attributes the explosion to a British attack, though it is unexplained how it was delivered.

Later, an Amsterdam telegram attributes the Lille explosion to a British air raid.

Sir Archibald Murray is gazetted temporary general.

Before Leaving The Dardanelles.

London, Jan. 12.—General Monro reports that the Turks opened a heavy attack with guns and muck-try on our lines at Cape Helles on Jan. 7. They attempted a bayonet assault but were only successful at one point. The attack was bloodily repulsed. Our casualties were five officers, 130 men killed and wounded. The evacuation operations were rendered most difficult owing to a gale, but were completed by four in the morning of the 9th.

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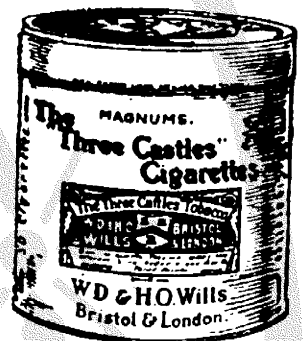
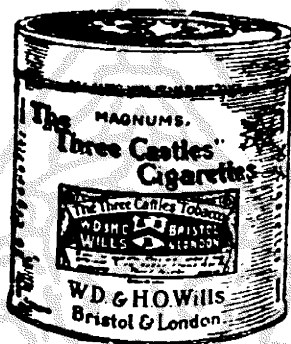
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Siberia to New York.**A Remarkable Escape.**

Ludwig Wittich, formerly a private of Hungarian infantry, has succeeded in reaching New York after escaping from a military prison in Siberia, whither he had been sent after capture by the Russians near Lublin in August of last year. Wittich was shot in the left leg and received a shrapnel and two bayonet wounds in his head and other bayonet wounds in both hands. He is crippled and broken in health as the result of his experiences.

Wittich has no complaint to make against his treatment by the Russians. The latter, owing to his knowledge of the Slav languages, used him as an interpreter, and in this way he enjoyed a certain degree of freedom at Rozdolnaya, near Vladivostok, where the prison was situated. The possibility of escape was mentioned to him by a Chinese, and ultimately nine of the prisoners, aided by two Chinese, decided to make the attempt. Of the nine, seven were officers. The Chinese, for thirty roubles a head, agreed to guide the fugitives as far as Zansco, over the border of Chinese Manchuria. Two of them, a lieutenant of Hungarian Hussars and a German flying officer—were caught at the start, but the others succeeded in getting away. This was on the night of Jan 12 last, when the ground was thick with snow and the temperature was 40 deg. below zero.

The journey was made under the most appalling conditions, the frost driving the little party almost insane. On the fourth day two of them died from the intense cold, and on the morrow two more. The others, barely alive, stumbled forward after their guides, and eventually reached Zansco. To that spot they were traced by Cossack pursuers, and a demand for their extradition was made, but this was rejected by the Chinese authorities. Wittich and his companions communicated with the Austrian Consul at Peking, but before the journey could be continued he had to suffer the amputation of all toes of his right foot and four of the toes of the left foot, owing to the effects of frost-bite. Mukden was reached on horse-back, and thence Wittich travelled by way of Tientsin to Shanghai, where he obtained a passage on a steamer to San Francisco.—(Central News.)

Rumoured Russo-Rumanian Accord.

A Berne despatch says that, according to the "Frankfurter Zeitung," Russian and Rumanian engineers have been working with great activity for the past two months to establish a system of express trains between Bucharest, Jassy, and Petrograd. Russia would seem by this to be desirous of rendering friendly service to Rumania.—Ex Tel. Co.

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