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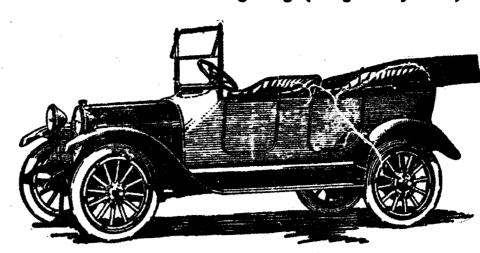
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The Ancona.

London, Dec. 31.—Amsterdam: The Austrian reply to the Ancona Note has been published, and is most conciliatory in tone. It repeats the arguments that the vessel tried to escape, and declares that the loss of life was chiefly due to the action of the crew of the Ancona in leaving the passengers to their fate and to the panic aboard while the loss due to Austrian shots was negligible. The Note adds, however, that the Austrian commander will be punished for neglecting the rules of life-saving. Austria is prepared to indemnify the Americans, but cannot accept responsibility for

the loss of the ship.

London, Dec. 31.—The Austrian reply is a remarkable climbdown. It positively concurs in the principle that private vessels, if they do not try to escape or resist, should not be destroyed until the passengers and crew have been placed in safety. Austria, who is anxious that her relations with America should be still more cordial, says that the submarine believed that the Ancona was a transport, and says that the commander, after a long time, torpedoed the liner most carefully so that the passengers could save themselves before the vessel sank.

It affirms that all could have been saved if they had not been deserted by the crew, and further declares that Austria cannot be held responsible for the causizing of the boats before the torpedo was fired. Nevertheless, Austria is desirous of showing friendly feelings towards America and is prepared even to indemnify cases of loss which cannot be proved aganst the submarine.

Washington, Jan 2.-The torpedoing of the P. & O. Persia has made a most unpleasant impression on the State Department, which was inclining to take a rosy view of the result of the Ancona negotiations. It was believed that sufficient time had elapsed to enable Austria to forbid submarines to torpedo ships without removing noncombatants. There is little doubt that the sinking of the Persia will mean new diplomatic actions.

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London, Jan. 1 .- An official statement says that the P. and O. steamship Persia has been sunk off Crete. A steamer conveying the servivors from four boats, which alone got away, is expected at Alexandria to-day.

The passenger list of the Persia shows that a total of 231 were booked from London, of whom 87 were women and 25 children.

Later.—The Persia was last reported from Malta on the 28th. The shock to the public recalls that evoked by the sinking of the Lusitania, especially after immunity these passenger steamers have hitherto enjoyed. No details of the loss are as yet given.

Some Americans are believed to have been aboard.

Later .- It is officially stated that the Persia was torpedoed.

The Persia was 7,974 tons, with a speed of eighteen knots, and had all up to-date improvements.

The Peninsular and Oriental Co. states that the last direct information of the ship, on Dec. 28th, was that she carried a large number of passengers and a considerable crew, but at present the official figures are not available.

The Persia was sunk at one o'clock in the afternoon. Four boats got clear. Later.—The crew of the Persia was between two hundred and three hundred, mostly lascars. Thus even if the four boats each had a full complement of sixty, the death-roll would be in the region of two hundred.

London, Jan. 1.—The Americans aboard the Persia were Mr. McNeeley, the financier Grant, bound for Bombay, and a school boy named Ross, who

was expected to land at Gibraltar. The vessel was heavily laden with a parcels post, but carried no war mat-

Lord Montagu was going to Bombay as Inspector of Mechanical Transport Vehicles in India.

(The mails leaving London on Dec. 23rd were on board the Persia, and they have presumably been lost.)

National Service.

London, Dec. 31.—It is reported that at the Labour Conference last night, Mr. Henderson advised the general acceptance of the. Government scheme.

London, Dec. 31.—The Cabinet meeting lasted over two hours, Mr. Asquith presiding over a full attendance. It is generally surmised that the whole compufsion question was discussed, but no statement is expected till Parliament reassembles. Probably Mr. Henderson will convey the Cabinet's decisions at the forthcoming great Labour Con-

London, Jan. 1.—Another full Cabi-

net was held later in the afternoon. The Cabinet again held a prolonged meeting and adjourned till Monday. It is understood that consideration of the draft of the National Service Bill was not completed. There was a full attendance at both meetings, which is regarded as showing that there are no

resignations up to now. It is authoritatively stated that the result of to-day's Cabinet is that there is no lenger fear of the crisis involving

resignations. The basis of unanimity reached was a complete acceptance of the principle that Mr. Asquith's pledge must be observed. When the Bill is submitted to Parliament, it will be unanimously supported by those members of the Government whose conversion has been hitherto doubtful. The only doubtful Minister is Mr. Henderson,

titude of the Labour conference. London, Jan. 1.—The Daily News says that Sir John Simon (Home Secretary) has tendered his resignation, which up to the present has not been accepted.

whose position is dependent on the at-

The Times says that some of his colleagues hope that he will reconsider his decision.

The New Year.

London, Dec. 31.—The King, on theolecasion of the New Year, teletelegraphed to M. Poincaré warmest wishes for his welfare. He says: "The heroism and sacrifices of your gallant soldiers and sailors have rendered indissoluble the ties binding the two countries." He [expresses deep admiration for the splendid qualities of the land and sea forces of France which are a sure : guarantee of ultimate vic-

Paris, Jan. 1.— M. Poincaré in a long New Year letter to the troops. dwells on the unshaken unanimity of the country to prosecute the war until victory. He declares that no compromise is possibe. Any ambiguous offer of peace would merely mean dishonour. ruin and enslavement. Any momentary faltering would be ingratitude to the dead and treason to posterity. The nation which first grows tired would be vanquished, but France would not grow tired. Never had we had a finer army, better trained or braver troops. "Everywhere I have seen you. I have quivered with administration and hope. You will conquer in the year now opening. Complete defeat of the enemy will bring you joy and victory,"

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London, Dec. 31.—Reuter's correspondent at the Dardanelles, describing the evacuation of Suvla Bay and Anzac. of which he was an eye-witness, says that the whole operation was carried out under the eyes and guns of 85,000 •Turks, who did not realise that it had begun till hours after the last naval beach parties had slipped away. All the equipment, transport and ammunition was removed, and nearly all the stores. The entire force, with its gear intact, was thus ready for service elsewhere. Turks on higher ground, all round the whole of the Suvla Bay area, were visible to them except on the actual beaches, while the main Australian embarking beach was overlook. ed from a sniper's ridge 1,100 yards away. The question was, with what proportion of loss was it possible to withdraw an army consisting of three Australian and New Zealand divisions and an Indian brigade, occupying a front of twenty thousand yards, and hardly anywhere five hundred yards, and at some points only fifty yards, from the enemy's positions, and embarking it from beaches all within field gun range of the enemy and some within rifle range?

"If the enemy had discovered what we were doing he could have followed us up and compelled a bloody rearguard action and the abandonment of our wounded, all our guns and a train still

"The precautions taken, however, were such that the Turks had no inkling. They fired the usual daily quantity of shell on Sunday with a little extra, as was customary on Sundays, and only wounded one man. By four o'clock on Monday morning practically everybody was off. Parties, however, were fetching the last stragglers as late as eight o'clock. The medical staff, who had been left to tend to the wounded, of whom, however, there was none, were also fetched, and also the men left to ignite a few piles of provisions which were abandoned. A huge mine was exploded on a neck between two ridges along which it was not desirable for the Turks to follow us. It had the desired effect, as the Turks thought that the Australians were attacking, and they kept up a furious rifle fire for forty minutes.

"Shortly afterwards flames shot up from the various beaches from piles of petrol-soaked provisions, but even that did not arouse the Turks. At daybreak the transports were all away and warships began the bombarding of the beaches, breaking up piers, sunken ships and water-tanks, as we were determined to leavethe enemy nothing but firewood. The Turks at last woke up and also began bombarding the beaches, and must have thought we were mad and firing at each other. They also heavily bombarded Hill 10, Chocolate Hill and Lala Baba, where there was no longer a soul. They were still doing so when my battleship left the bay at nine o'clock. Our casualties were an officer and two men wounded at Suvla Bay and two men at Anzac, less than the daily average, and they were due to chance shots and in no way intended to hinder the operation, of which the Turks were ignorant. It may be said that the evacuation did not cost a single casualty. All the guns were removed, except three field guns and two wornout howitzers. These were destroyed as soon as they had fired their last shots.'

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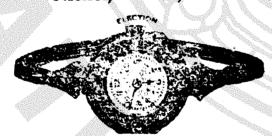
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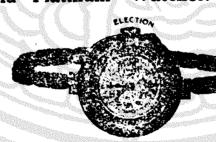
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THE

Great War.

Affairs in Arabia.

A False Report Contradicted.

Cificial Telegram. British Foreign Office to H. B. M. Legation, Bangkok. London, Jan. 6.

The "Hamburger Nachrichten" of Dec. 13th contains an article putting insignificant military operations of the Turks in south-west Arabia in an altoge her false light. It is stat d that severe engagements with the British, in which the latter were seriously defeated, took place in February and March and that after long and violent struggles commencing in July the Turks captured Lahej which was strongly fortified by the British at the end of September. That this was tollowed by a rising in Hadramant and that as a consequence of General Townshend's withdrawal to Kut el Amara at the beginning of December the Turks made a further advance on Aden.

The facts are as follows: No British or Indian troops have been stationed in the interior of Aden protectorate since 1907 and when a mixed force of Turks and Arabs crossed the frontier at the beginning of February last it was decided in accordance with the previous policy not to engage them in the interior. No British or Indian troops came in contact with the enemy until the beginning of July, when the advanced guard of a small force which was being sent to the assistance of the Sultan of Lahej was attacked at that place.

Lahej is not a fortified town, and we had erected no fortifications there, consequently when the Turks attacked in strong force on July 4th, and the British relieving force was unable through difficulties in transport and water supply to arrive in time, the withdrawal was effected without molestation. The Turks then advanced to Sheikh Othman, whence they were ejected after suffering heavy loss on July 4th.

Since then we have held Sheikh Othman, and no attempt has been made to attack it or any part of the Aden defences. The only operations in the whole protectorate since August have been a few insignificant skirmishes. There has been no rising in Hadramant and the Turks have not attempted to advance for the last three months.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Latest telegrams will be ound on page 6.

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

THE local Exchange Banks will be closed to public business at noon on Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th instant owing to the races.

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THE Siam Auctioneering Co. will sell a quantity of new teakwood furniture on Saturday the 22nd iost, at rooms in Oriental Avenue, opposite the Observer

IT is an awkward result of the sinking of the "Persia" that the whole of the P. and O. mails, letters and parcels, for India and the Straits, will have been lost. That is the entire mail that left London on Dec. 23rd. ---:0:---

WE understand that the boxing contests which were arranged to take place at the Phathanalai Theatre on the 11th instant between the Cottrell Brothers and two local amateurs will not come off after all.

THE following sums have been received by the British Consulate General from British Subjects resident at Singora towards War Relief Funds:-Ticals 60 towards the Prince of Wales' Relief Fund and Ticals 95 towards the Viceroy of India's Relief Fund making a total of Ticals 155.

THE following papers have been received at H. B. M. Legation and may be consulted by those desiring to do so:-1 Customs (Export Prohibition) Act 1914. Extracts from London Gazette of Nov. 23-1915. 2 Vessels and cargoes detained or captured by British forces. 3 Carriage of cargoes en British vessels between Foreign -ports. 4 Requisition of ships (carriage and foodstuffs) order in Council 1915.

WE are requested by M. G. de Plancon, the Russian Minister, to convey his thanks to H. R. H Prince Bisnuloke and Madame de Bisnuloke and all those who kindly contributed towards the Russian Red Cross Fund at the reception held at the Minister's residence yesterday evening when M. Piastro and M. Mirovitsch played for the last time before a large and appreciative audience. The amount collected was Tos. 1,859.

The Races.

First Day's Events.

There was a fairly good attendance at the Ruce Course for the first event but as the afternoon wore on the gathering grew bigger and betting went on quite brisk.

His Majesty the King was expected to arrive at about 4.30.

The following are the various officials :--

Racing sub-committee: Phya Arthakara Prasiddhi (Chairman), Phya Katathorn Bodi Sriharaj, Luang Sunthern Kosa, Mr. W. A. Graham, Mr. Ham son Price and Luang Patibatti Raja deasong (Hon. Sec.)

Judger: H. R. H. Prince of Bhianuloke and Mr. W. A. Graham. Timekeeper: Mr. F. Campbell.

Handie uper : Mr. Hamilton Price. Clerk of the Sades: Mr. D. Robert-

Weighing Room: Mr. T. H. Pollard and Mr. C. G. Cranmer. Starters: Mr. R. D. Craig and Mr. N. Sutton.

Paddock: Mr. J. D. Powell and Mr. J. H. Sedgwick. Semaphore: Mr. J.C. Roberts and Mr. A. Blake.

Grand Stand: Phya Supan Sombat, Mr. W. E. Adam, Mr. E. G. Gollo and Mr. A. Mohr. Totalizator: Mr. T. R. Jenkins, Mr. N. L. Selley and Mr. D. B. Robert-

Hon. Vet. Surgeon: Mr. H. S. Leonard.

Clerk of the Course: Luang Sunthorn Kosa. Stewards: Mr. H. G. Dering, Mr. M. F. Buszard, Mr. Hamilton Price, Mr. M. T. Cooke Collis and Mr. P. Nes-

Results.

(1) Australian Griffins Race.

GAMBLING FARMERS' PURSE. 5 fur: w.f.i. Value Tcs. 250. Presented by the Gambling Farmers of

Bangkok. Mr. A. R. Malcolm's Hope Top Notch Kongsi's Vaneeda Luang Patibatti's Vittoria

Phya Arthakara Prasiddhi's Teh Keng, Phya Gadadharabadi's Iownit. Luang Sunthorn Kosa's Seabreeze, Nai Riem's Maha Chai, Mrs. Grut's Flicka

Time: 58 2/5 secs. Tote: Tcs. 6.

(2) Australian Ponies Race.

For Ponies 14.2 and •under. 5 fur. w.f.i. Value Tcs. 250. Presented by R. B. S. C.

Madame de Bhisnuloke's Nai Chan 1 Phya Arthakara Prasiddhi's Slipaway 2 Luang Patibatti's Flirt

His Majesty's Nai Pradisht, Phya Gadadharabadi's Lady Chan, Luang Sunthorn Kosa's Kop, Top Notch Kongsi's Vanni also ran.

Time: 1 min. 11 3/5 secs. Tote: Tes. 11. (3) Ex Griffins Race.

POLICE PURSE. 4. Fur. w.f.i. Value Tcs. 250. Presented by Officers of the Police Depart-

Luang Patibatti's Aminta Luang Sunthorn Kosa's Sunflower 2 Mr. Nabs' Pom

His Majesty's Ninn, Madame de Bhis-

nuloke's Sally, Phya Sri Suriyabaha's Phuang Phet, Luang Patibatti's Old Mel also ran. Time: 56 3/5. secs. Tote: Tcs. 9. One length seperated first from 2nd

and two lengths between 2nd and 3rd.

(4) Siamese Pon es Race. 4 Fur: w.f.i. Value Tcs.. 250. Presented by R. B. S. C. Phya Arthakara Prasiddhi's Krat Top Notch Kongsi's Nilaraja Phya Sri Suriyabaha's Thai Laow His Majesty's Sorn Chai, Phya Arthakar Prasiddhi's Motdeng, Phya

Race Lotteries.

Gadadharabadi's Klong Taan also ran.

6 4/5 secs. Tote: Tcs. 8.

Won by 2 lengths. Time 1 min.

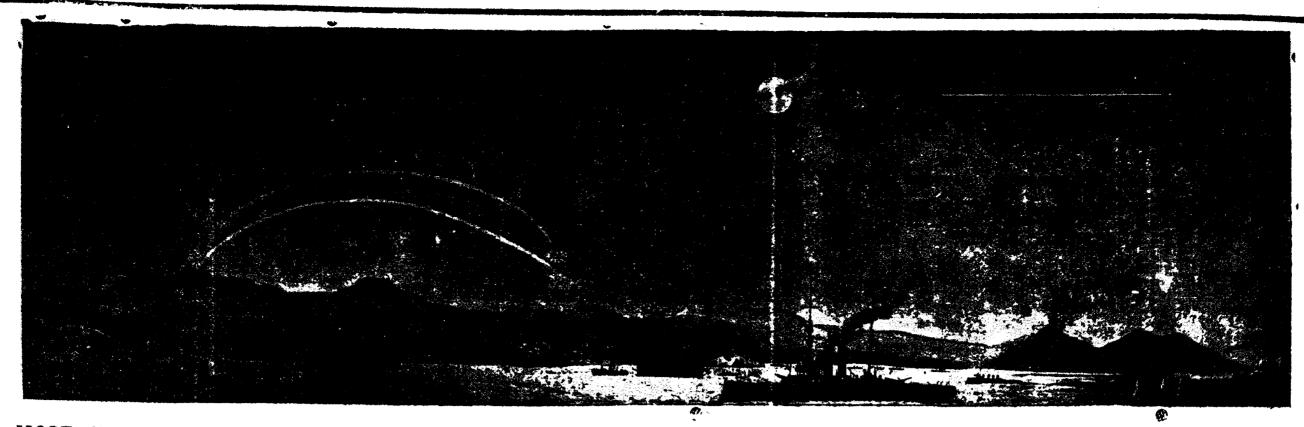
The lotteries on to-day's races were drawn last night at the Sports Club. The following were the prices fetched:-First race Tcs. 389 Hope fetching

Second , , 428 Nai Chan , , 110 Third " " 410 Aminta " " 170 Fourth , , 346 Krat Fifth ... 415 Varo Sixth , , 4'5 Mad Meg , , Seventh, , 422 Blind 220 Aunie "

Chinese Immigration.

For the last seven years the record year for Chinese immigration was the year 1911 when the arrivals numbered 81,692. The year 1914 showed the smallest number of arrivals: viz. 61,846. In average years it is believed that 150,000 Chinese immigrants travel to and fro between China ports (Swatow, Haihow) and Bangkok. The number of arrivals is easily ascertained as the Customs monthly return gives the number of arrivals during each month. It would be interesting to know if the Customs have a similar record of departing Chi-

nese.



THE MOST INTERESTING FEATURE OF THE DUSIT PARK FAIR. Or.ly a few days more, don't lose an opportunity of seeing It.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT."

Positively the Greatest Show in the East.

See Press opinions.

Change of Programme on Sunday the 9th inst.

Admission to the grounds I Tical.

American Bar.

Naval Band in attendance.

A Correction.

We are glad to be able to correct the news we published the other day referring to the departure of Mr. C. Robyns of the Ministry of the Interior. His position, in this Ministry, owing to administrative changes, has been abolished and it is therefore that he severs his long connection with the Govern-.ment, Mr. Robyns having come out in the year 1897 as Legal Adviser to this Ministry. Mr. Robyns is to receive a pension in accordance with the regulations of the Government of Siam and we have much pleasure in making the correction. We are also enabled to state that it is not Mr. Robyns intention to live a quiet life in Switzerland as announced elsewhere.

Bangnara Rubber Co., · Limited.

6 Per Cent. Dividend.

The sixth ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the above Company took place last evening at the offices of the Company, Bangkok Times building, Mr. W. A. Graham presiding. The following is from the Directors' report for the year ended 31st October last:-

"The total cost of development of the estate at that date amounted to Tos. 157,636. The profit for the year amounts to Tes 29,862, which with the addition of the balance carried forward last year Tes. 2,231 gives a total sum of Tes. 32,094, for disposal,

"The directors propose to deal with the above Balance as follows:

Dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per

Tes. 14,028.00 annum To be placed to Reserve Account 10,000.00 Directors' remuneration " 1,000.00 700.00 Bonus to Management Balance carried forward 6,366,59

Total Tcs. 32,094.59

"C. J. Aagaard continued as Manager of the estate during the year, entirely to the satisfaction of the Directors. Only Siamese and Malay labour was employed on the estate. The shortage usual at certain seasons was less noticeable than hitherto.

"During the year 45,099 lbs. of rubber were collected, against an estimated output of 30,000 lb. The rubber was sold at the Singapore Rubber auction, the average price realised being Tcs. 1.40 per lb. The Visiting Director estimates the crop for the present year at at 50,000 lbs.

"In accordance with the Articles of Association, Mr. Nunn retires from the Board, but being eligible, offers himself for re-election. Mr. A H. Donaldson, the auditor of the Company, offers himself for re-election.'

Mr. Williamson proposed the adoption of the Report and Balance Sheet and expressed satisfaction on the part of the shareholders that the Company had turned the corner and was in a position to pay a dividend. (hear, hear).

Mr. Macgill seconded, and the proposition was carried.

Mr. Milne proposed that a dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. be declared and paid. Mr. E. Wyon Smith seconded. Carried.

Mr. Nunn was re-elected a Director, and Mr. A. H. Donaldson auditor. A vote of thanks to the Directors concluded the meeting.

PADOY REPORT FOR JAN.

Nasuan 2610 coyans at Tcs. 78/86 each 76/80 " Samruang 150 ,, ,, ,, Coyana .Total

Football.

The following teams will play at the Sports Club on Monday:

Colours. Jenkins, Reith, Preston, Selley, Wail, Bowdon, McDonald, Jones, Robertson, Wooller, Forrest.

Whites. Roberts, Cranmer, Ramsay, Gronneman, Halls, Parmentier, Croucher, Rasmassen, Pollard, Deacon, Chapman. K. O. 5 p. m.

Items of Interest.

London, Dec. 31.—The revenue for the quarter amounted to £64,390,510, an increase of £21,067,141.

London, Dec. 31.-Toulon: A cruiser has arrived bearing the, contents of the Serbian treasury, which is being taken to Paris, and members of the Russian Legation, lately in Serbia.

London, Jan. 1.—Th Admiralty announces that Admiral Colville succeeds Admiral Meux as commander-in-chief at Portsmouth, and Vice Admiral Warrender succeeds Admiral Egerton at Plymonth.

London, Dec. 31.—The Hague: The Second Chamber has passed the estimates for coast defence without a division. The Minister for War, replying to questions, intimated that Krupp's contract for the fortification of Flushing had been amended after consultation with experts.

London, Dec. 31.—Melbourne: The Advisory Council on the question of freights is preparing a scheme which will embrace all oversea shipping from and to Australia as though it was controlled by a single company.

London, Dec. 31.-Messrs. T. and J Brocklebank, Ltd., of Liverpool, and the Well Line, Ltd., of Newcastle-on-Tyne, have been amalgamated.

London, Dec. 31.—Washington: The personnel of the international commisison representing Great Britain and the United States, under the Peace Treaty negotiated by Mr. Bryan, includes the American jurist, Mr. George Gray, and Lord Bryce. The Arctic explorer, Mr. Fridigif Nansen, will be the umpire. If the British Dominions are involved in any controversy, their respective High Commissioners will represent

London, Dec. 30.—Montagu's report says that the silver market is no longer depressed. The Indian Bazaars have absorbed supplies at rising rates, despite a considerable amount of special selling, and Continental and home orders assisted the upward trend of prices. There were some moderate sales from China.

London, Dec. 30.—Twenty-seven Hongkong policemen have arrived in London to enlist.

London, Dec. 31.—Sir Aliimam Ab-

dul Aziz has arrived in London. London, Jan. 1.—A telegram from Amsterdam says that the Kaiser proclaims: -" In the van of a glorious New Year, I send a message to the Navy and Army. Superior numbers of the enemy have failed before your loyalty and bravery. Wherever I sent you into battle, you gained a glorious victory. A madly impotent enemy may try to deprive us of all that makes life worth living, having long ago abandoned the hope of beating us in fair fight. We enter into the New Year with God for Germany's great-

London, Jan. 1.-An Amsterdam telegram says that the Kaiser returned from Russia suffering from a virulent carbuncles. number of The Doctors have hitherto been unsuccessful in removing the danger of blood-poisoning. The Kaiser is abed being nursed by the Kaiserin, and only receives certain State officials. He is suffering from great depression.

The Berlin populace are disappointed that the Kaiser is unable to attend the New Year parade.

The wildest rumours are circulating

The Navy League.

The amount subscribed to the Cruiser Fund on 6th January was Tes. 539. Mondol Raiburi has sent in Tcs. 4,934. The total now subscribed amounts to Tcs. 1,801,405

Shipping Notes.

We learn that the Nor s.s. Profit, Capt. Olsen, will leave for London upon the expiry of the present charter. She has obtained a lump freight of £8,500 to take a full cargo from Bangkok to London.

In a similar manner the Nor. s.s. Fritihof will take a full cargo to Europe at the end of her charter for which she receives £10,000.

The Nor. s.s. Gerd which was sold a short while ago for £16,000 has again changed hands, the present owners paying the magnificent sum of £38,000 for her. She too will fleave for Europe upon the expiry of her present charter to the firm of Wang

Church Services.

Assumption Church.

Calendar of the Week. January the 9th, 1st Sunday after Epiphany, the Solemmity of the Epiphany of Our Lord.

5.45 a.m. 1st Mass for the Native Community. 2nd and last Mass for the

Foreign Community. Rosary and Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament. Week Days. 5.30 a.m. 1st Mass. 6 a.m. 2nd and last Mass.

Devotion of the month: The Holy

Christ Church Choir.

Family.

Service for Sunday Jan. 9th, 1916. Hymns: 218 God of mercy. 193 Jesu, lover of my soul.

167 O worship the King 27 Abide with me. 47 and 48. l'ealms Davy and Pymer. Chants

Magnificat Stainer's Gregorian. and Nunc Dimittis With Thy benediction.

St. Mary's Mission (S. P. G.)

Wat Takien. Sunday, Jan. 9th .- 1st Sunday after the 9 a.m. Holy Communion and Sermon.

Hymns: As with gladness men of old. Earth has many a noble city. Alleliua! Sing to Jesus! I am not worthy, Holy Lord. Jesu, the very thought of Thee.

4 p.m. Sunday School for children. Wednesday, Jan. 12, 6.30 p.m. Short Service of Prayer for those engaged in the War.

STRAIGHT AT IT. There is no use of our "beating around the bush." We might as well out with it first as last. We want you to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the next time you have a cough or

cold. There is no reason so far as we can see why you should not do so. This preparation by its remarkable cures has gained a world wide reputation, and people everywhere speak of it in the highest terms of praise. It is

for sale by British Dispensary.

Chubbs' Safes

Read the Testimonial

7th April 1914.

SIAM FOREST CO., LTD.

Dear Sirs.

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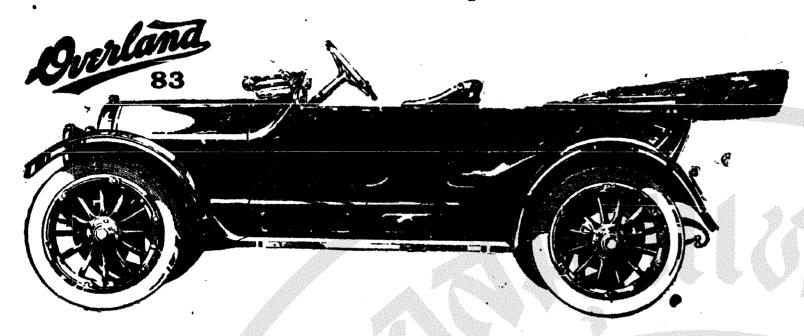
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Great War.

The Compulsion Debate.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, Jan. 7.

The House of Commons was crowded during the debate on compulsion. Many members in service, who had obtained leave, were present in khaki. Lord Derby was seen in the Peers' gallery.

In Mesopotamia.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Jan. 7. General Townshend reports that Kut Almara was heavily shelled for an hour on Sunday. Since then it has been quiet.

Bombarding Champagne.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Jan. 7. Paris. - A communiqué states that the French effectively bombarded Champague and destroyed a number of German trenches.

Other minor operations were favourable to the French.

The French Front.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM) Paris, Jan. 5.

Yesterday we bombarded a group of enemy works at Artois and moved troops to Fanbourg and Roye where we inflicted losses on the

enemy and wrecked his trenches.

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We exploded a muntions depot in the Vosges.

To-day we repulsed a rather strong attack against our trenches between hill

Paris, Jan. 6.

Yesterday between Soissons and Reims we damaged enemy works, wrecked trenches and exploded a muntions depot in Champagne. To-day between the Oise and the Aisne under our fire patrols and workmen repaired

The Russian Campaign.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

town.

Paris, Jan. 5. Petrograd.-We threw back the Germans attempting to cross the Dvina. We captured by assault a fort and occupied the heights northeast of Czernovitz. The enemy has evacuated the

Paris, Jan. 6. Petrograd. - Through a narrow course on the Strypa the enemy attempted vainly to re-take the lost fortifications. We inflicted heavy losses and captured new positions northeast of Czernovitz and took 1,043 prisoners.

Hague Cables.

The following special cables from The Hague appeared in the "Sumatra Post" on Dec. 17th and 18th :-

The Seconde Dutch Chamber has adopted the Naval Estimates with the Socialists voting against.

A Peace Congress has been organised by the Dutch Socialists and the President of the Anti-War League, which will be held in Switzerland in the midde of January.

The "Tijd" learns from Budapest that in Austria and Hungary there is much talk of peace; also among the higher Nuko clergy. In the Hungarian Parliament Herr Rockovsk and Monsignor Gieswein both declared that there had been enough blood shed.

The "Tijd" learns from a Berlin source that if Germany is victorious she will demand the cession of the fortress of Belfort in south-east France, with the line of the Meuse as the new frontier in the west, and in the east a new frontier along the Narew, the Niemen and the Vistula.

The Wolff Bureau denies the report . of a riot in Berlin, in which 200 victims have fallen, but admits that the police suppressed a pacifist demonstra-

tion by Herr Liebknecht's supporters. Three Zeppelins have come to grief. in Germany. Movements of German troops on a

large scale are taking place in Belgium. Within fourteen days a big German offensive is expected on the western front, whither German troops are being transferred from other theatres.

A Berlin report states that the French have captured two German posts at Vailly, in the line south of the Aisne.

A German communiqué says that the Serbians and Montenegrius have been driven beyond Blodarevo, several hundreds being made prisoners. The Austrians are approaching Alkova on the Montenegrin frontier. The Bulgarians have temporarily suspended operations on the Greek frontfer.

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Great Battles on Styr And Strypa.

Loudon, Dec. 31.-The violence and extent of the great battle in Eastern Galicia is increasing, says an Austrian communique, adding that the Russians vesterday attacked not only on the Bessarabian front, but also the Austrian positions east of the lower and middle Strypa. The communique claims vaguely that the advance "mostly" failed.

London, Jan. 1.—The Russians are still silent as to the Bessarabian battles. apparently in accordance with the policy that followed the great offensive early in the war of waiting till a decisive score has been achieved.

But the Austrian communiques indicate clearly that the Russian attacks in Galicia are becoming more violent and more important, and are no longer confined to the Bessarabian front, but are extending east of the river Strypa. These attacks have succeeded in smashing the Austrian lines at several points. The Austrians only claim that their brullery stopped the Russian advance, which indicates that the advance was only partially stopped, though they assert that the Russian losses are excessive. They only mention four hundred and eighty-six Russian dead found at two points.

Petrograd, Jan. 2.—A communiqué states that desperate fighting is in progress to the south of the Pripet river. The Russians crossed the river Styr between the Kovel-Sarny railway and Tchartorisk, and held their ground against repeated counter-attacks. The Russians also advanced north of Olyk and occupied two lines of enemy trenches.

In the river Strypa region they drove back the enemy to the right bank of • the Dniester, and between the Dniester - and the Rumanian frontier broke enemy entanglements and consolidated the captured ground.

The Captures at Kum.

London, Dec. 31.—The Russians found 1,600,000 rifle cartridges and three thousand rounds of gun ammunition at Kum. Colonel Edwall, the Swedish chief instructor of gendarmerie, and two rebel instructors, have been dismissed, while another has resigned.

A Salonika Coup.

London, Dec. 21.—A Rome telegram says that General de Castelnau, in an interview, was enthusiastic about the defence of Salonika. A member of the General's suite declared that an attack would cost the enemy a hundred and fifty thousand men.

London, Jan, 1.-A Paris communique states that German aviators over Salonika dropped a bomb on the Greek troops.

London, Dec. 31.—The correspondent of the Times at Salonika states that the German, Austrian, Turkish and Bulgarian Consuls and their staffs and families have been arrested by order of General Sarrail and have been taken aboard a French warship. The four consulates have been occupied by Allied troops

Athens, Dec. 31.—Greece has protested against the arrest of the Consuls at Salonika, which it describes as a violation of her sovereign rights.

Athens, Jan. 1.—The Central Powers, Bulgaria and Turkey have collectively complained to Greece of the arrest of the Consuls at Salonika.

M. Skouloudis has replied that a protest has already been lodged in London and Paris.

Salonika, Jan. 1.—It was after four Taubes had flown over Salonika, dropping bombs, but without doing damage, i that General Sarrail ordered the arrest of the Consuls. 'The Angle-French troops surrounded the Consulates, arrested everybody, and seized the

London, Dec. 31.-Athens: The French Government has received the Greek protest relating to the occupation of Castellorizo in a friendly spirit, assuring Greece that it was a necessity of war and was only provisional. It is understood that at last night's Greek Cabinet meeting optimism prevailed and that the relations of Greece with the Entente Powers are regarded as quire friendly.

London, Dec. 31.—Paris: A Valona telegram states that an Italian regiment has been sent to Durazzo. The Bulgarians are exceedingly short of ammunition.

Montenegrin Successes Continue.

Cetinje, Jan. 1.—The Montenegrins report further successes, annihilating an enemy detachment and capturing prisoners at Novi Bazar. They repulsed an Austrian attack on the Lovcen front, inflicting great losses.

London, Jan. 2. - Montenegrin communiqué mentions further successful Montenegrin attacks compelling the Austrians to retire at various points.

Egyptian Frontier Fight.

Cairo, Jan. 1.—Details of the Egyptian frontier fight show that the Arabs at Matru fled in disorder. Four hundred were killed and eighty-two made prisoners, besides which much booty was taken.

Our casualties were only ten killed and fifty-three wounded.

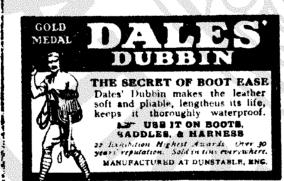
London, Jan. 1.—An official despatch from Cairo states that our force which advanced from Matruh to round up Harun's camp found that he had retreated hastily, leaving a month's supplies, four hundred sheep, ninety camels, and two hundred tents. The booty captured after the action at Majid includes twelve thousand rounds of small arms ammunition three hundred sheep, eighty-four camels, and five tons of barley. Moreover, sixty camels were destroyed by artillery fire.

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In France.

London, Dec. 31.—An official message from headquarters states that British aeroplanes effectively bombed Comines station and Hervilly aerodrome. There were twelve air encounters during the day. The artillery on both sides has been active near Ypres and Fricourt.

London, Dec. 31.—The text of the headquarters despatch says that sixteen of our aeroplanes bombed Comines station, the railway lines and sheds. Ten aeroplanes attacked Hervilly aerodrome, which was considerably damaged. All the machines, in both cases, returned safely. There were twelve air encounters during the day. One of our machines engaged four of the enemy, and one of the latter is believed to have been brought down, while another was damaged, all four being driven off. One of our aeroplanes was brought down as a result of a combat with two hostile machines.

The enemy during the night heavily shelled the trenches south of Friccurt, and a few Germans penetrated to one of our front trenches, but were immediately ejected. The weather has been fine. Our artillery has been active at various places, and both artilleries have been active north of Ypres.

London, Jan. 1.—An official derpatch from Headquarters says that the enemy has been actively mining about the quarries to the north of Loos. Five mines were exploded yesterday even- ped ten shells in Nancy, killing two ing, causing some few casualties and inhabitants and wounding seven. The

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tack was made. The damage is being repaired. There has been artillery activity on both sides about Hulluch, Givenchy, Wytschaete and St. Julien, and an increase of hostile shelling about Armentieres.

Our heavy howitzers considerably damaged various points of the hostile

London, Jan. 1.—The Paris communiqué says that minor operations were favourable to the French.

London, Jan. 1.—The Paris communique says that our batteries have successfully bombarded the enemy first and second line trenches in Belgium. We wrecked a German work west of Sonpir.

The Germans in the Vosges, after artillery preparation, launched an infantry attack against Hirzstein, which was completely repulsed.

London, Jan. 2.—An official statement from Headquarters says that yesterday evening, to the south-east of Armentieres, a small party of our troops seized a portion of the German front line and inflicted several casualties. After fulfilling its mission the party withdrew; our loss was only a few wounded. The enemy this morning exploded a mine near Hohenzollern Redoubt but failed to do damage. There has been less artillery activity to-day.

Between Soissons and Rheims there was great activity of the French artil-

In the Vosges, in the Muhlbach region, an enemy long range gun dropslight damage to our trenches. No at. material damage was slight. We immediately silenced the gun.



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