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Tokio, June 18 .- A rocket fired at Kengasaki Point early this morning announced that the ship carrying Prince Arthur of Connaught had been sighted. All the ships in Yokohama Harbour were decked with bunting and the 2nd Squadron, specially detailed for the purpose, fired a royal

When the ship had dropped anchor Vice-Admiral Yamaya, Commander-in-Chief of the 2nd Squadron, in com-pany with Field Marshal Viscount Kawamura, Chief of the Reception Committee, and others boarded the Shinyo Maru to receive His Royal

Highness and bring him to land on board a naval launch. On landing Prince Arthur was met by Sir Conyngham Green, the British Ambassador; Admiral Nawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Yokosuka Admiralty: Major-General Narita, Commandant of the Fortifications of the Bay; Mr. Ariyoshi, Governor of Kan-gawa, and Mr. Ken-uke Ando, Mayor of Yokohama, representatives of the British community and others. The welcome was not demonstrative, as is customary when receiving a royal personage, but was cordial and sincere to a marked degree. The Reception Committee consists of Field Marshal Viscount Kawamura, Admiral of the Fleet, Baron Ijuin, the Marquis Inouye, formerly Japanese Ambassador in

London, and five others. Press Welcomes Prince.

Despite the fact that this is the rainy sesson, the day on which Prince Arthur of Connaught arrived here was bright and sunny. All the daily newspapers, without a single exception, print the royal portrait with editorials heartily welcoming His Royal Highness in which one and the same sentiment prevails, namely, the most sincere appreciation of the Royal Mission as indisputable evidence of the evergrowing strength of the bond uniting the two Courts and the nations in the

alliance. Editorial expressions this morning are actually a competitive exhibition of rhetorical skill on the same sub-

Count Terauchi said: "The Court, the Government and the people wel-come the British Royal Mission with genuine gladness and enthusiasm. The exchange of courtesies between the two Courts tends materially to strength en the political ties of the two coun-

tries Baron Goto remarked: "The alli ance essentially is based on the principles of peace and justice. The Allies are prepared to defend them by the The royal visit at a momentons

period like the present will long be remembered by the people here." Viscount Kato said: "The Royal Mission may be interpreted as denoting that the Alliance will be placed on a firmer foundation and the relations of the two countries become friendier

than ever." Mayor's Remarks.

Mr. Ando, the Mayor of Yokohamain a speech of welcome to Prince Arthur of Connaught, said: "On behalf of the citizens of Yokohama I have the great honour to extend to Your Highness the heartiest welcome. The friendship of Great Britain and Japan has been long lasting. Not for a day has it changed. It gives us great satisfaction to witness the evidences of the strong alliance which binds our two nations in earnest mutual effort toward their high end in the present turmoil of war. The arrival in Japan of Your Highness as the personal representative of your august Sovereign to present our Emperor with the baton of a field-marshal cannot but strengthen the bonds of friendship and loyalty between the two nations. Permit me to offer congratulations upon the safe arrival of Your Highness and wish you many years of happiness."

Prince Arthur, Replies.

In replying, Prince Arthur said: "Thank you, Mr. Mayor, for your kind words. I beg you to convey to the citizens of Yokohama my deep appre-

ciation of their message of welcome. The high commission with which I have been charged by the King is agreeable, not only because it enables me to renew in preson my earlier acquaintance with His Majesty, the Emperor, but also because it affords an opportunity for re-visiting your celebrated city. My mission further provides fresh proof of the friendship which unites our two nations, and confirms their determination to prose-

cute the Great War. Members of Mission Decorated.

The Emperor has decorated the Members of the Royal Mission. Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney receives the Order of the Rising Sun, First Class: Colonel Somerville, the Order of the Rising Sun, Third Class: Mr. Pembroke and Mr. Montgomery. the Order of the Sacred Treasure, Third Class: Mr. Sinclair and Mr.

Butt, the Order of the Rising Sun, Fourth Class.

The Imperial train with H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught abroad arrived at the Central Station at 11.30 o'clock this morning, where the Emperor personally received His Royal Highness. After an exchange of cordial greetings, Prince Arthur, in company with the Emperor, reviewed the guards drawn up on the platform.

Prince Arthur thereafter drove to Kasumigaseki Palace with Prince Higashi-Fushimi in the same carriage. The streets were practically fenced with soldiers of all arms, belonging to the Guards Division and the First Division. Girl students from the British Mission School were a special feature among the welcomers of various descriptions. Royal salutes were fired in the compound of the General Staff.

The whole city is decorated with British and Japanese flags. All the tram cars are flying Union Jacks and Rising Sun banners, crosses, at both ends of the roof.

Earlier Preparations.

Tokio, June 17.—No visit of a foreign royalty has been so heartily and sincerely welcomed in Japan as the arrival of H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught.

Yokohama is decorated with flags and triumphal arches in honour of the distinguished guests. The preparations in Tokio are on a most elaborate scale. The whole city has been ordered to display the British and Japanese flags on every house and lanterns at nighttime. Triumphal arches have been erected and troops will line the entire route from the station to Kasumigaseki Palace, where the Prince will rende during his stay.

Ten Days of Festivities.

No official programme is announced for the first evening. The presentation of the baton of a British Field Marshal to H. I. M. the Emperor on Wednesday will be followed by a luncheon at Kasumigaseki Palace. The Emperor will call on Prince Arthur the same afternoon and in the evening Prince Arthur will be the guest of honour at a banquet at the Imperial Palace. On the third day there will be a reception at Kasumigaseki Palace with a dinner at the British Embassy in the evening. Ten days will be filled with receptions, dinners and garden parties. On the last night Prince Arthur attended performance of Kismet given by the Tokio Amateur Dramatic Club, the Prince and his euite occupying the Imperial boxes. The entire house, seating 2,000 has seen sold out. After that Prince Arthur visits places of interest in Japan, accompanied by his suite.

End of the Queue.

A Mukden correspondent writes to the M. C. Daily News:-The last vestige of Manchu rule has now been almost taken away by the forcible cutting off of the queues of those who faithfully retained them. Those who did so were mostly country people and the lower orders in the cities. Now. no one is really safe, unless under Japa nese protection and residing in their concessions, in indulging in this arrangement of the hair. One wonders if mothers will continue artificially to develop the shape of their boy babies' heads at the back, so as to make them recede just above the neck, thus allowing for the queue to hang gracefully, with space for the hand to be pushed between it and the nape.

The custom is always to place a baby to sleep on its back and to use a small round block of wood as a pillow.

Foreigners who have been ambitions to wear this distinctive Manchu badge, never could, in chinese eyes, do the thing properly because the queue would cling to the back of the neck, being thus always also uncomfortable. One would like to have the opinion of a clever phrenologist as to the change which may be wrought by allowing the head to be natural



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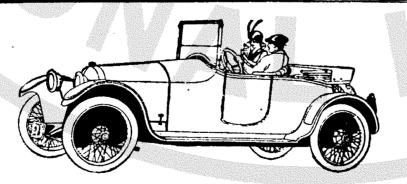
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THE CRITERION OF TRUE CULTURE.

Modern German philosophers have sought to establish correct theories of life by the elaborate and pedantic study of complicated phenomena. In their conceit they have deserted nature as a guide; they have, indeed, sought to correct rather than to comprehend her principles and in doing so have relied on the authority of their own learned professors in much the same way as the mediæval world relied on the authority of the Church. And yet what has this vaunted German culture produced during the last sixty years? It has produced neither a Darwin, a Herbert Spencer, a Pasteur nor a Faraday. It has discovered neither the telegraph, the telephone nor wireless telegraphy; the discovery of anaesthetics and antiseptic treatment owes nothing to it. At the most modern German culture has spent itself in a straining after novelty, eccentricity and sensation; its only triumphs have been the application of the superior imagination of foreigners to commercial and industrial uses. The isolation of a bacillus may be an admirable achievement but it bears no comparison with those flights of the imagination that have opened | ter, who is investigating the causes, up to the world an entirely new conception of nature and of life.

Such giants of thought and of science as Plato, Newton and Darwin proclaimed themselves to be no more than faithful observers and interpreters of nature; on the contrary, the German professors have extelled the supremacy of the human intellect, and acclaimed the superman but yet have achieve t nothing more remarkable than the mental chimera that has colminated in the present war and reduced Europe to a shambles. What these pedantic professors have failed to recognise is that just as the sword is of no avail but as the instrument of justice so is science no guide unless inspired by a passion for truth and beauty.

In the same way as plagues and pestilences have served a purpose of utility so, as an example of failure, the German ped ints are serving a utility of the same type. The question then arises what is the criterion of true culture? Frue culture belongs to no one nation; it is neither German, British nor French in origin but it is the correspondence between the mind of man and the creative mind of nature. It is not a correspondence in one direction only but in every sphere of knowledge, the progress of moral culture being dependent on the progress of economic, artistic and hygienic culture.

The more it is considered the more it can be appreciated that the culture of the mind is an effect of the observation of nature. Intensity of observation gives perception and from perception comes the vision of absolute beauty and truth and to generate a passion for the truth and a reverence for nature as its manifestation should be the great aim of our education and of our Press. As things are at present it is to be regretted that the organs of our culture are but too often directed rather to the stimulation of opinion, of party and faction and prejudice is worshipped in mistake for truth and on the altar of this idol our manhood is often sacrificed in time of war and peace. Nature is the revelation of truth and in truth lies the secret of

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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

E. M. Periera and Co. will sell a i quantity of household furniture at their rooms on Saturday next.

In the Semi Finals of the 250 up Billiards Tournament at the Sports Club, C. E. W. Hogge (+25) beat R. H. Steele (+35) by 9 points yesterday

THE Local Exchange Banks, Fraser and Neave Lit. and the B. M. O. Ltd. will be close on Monday the 22nd inst.

THE Oriental Bakery has moved into their new and spacious premises in Oriental Avenue, opposite to The Siam Observer Offices.

THE s.s. Kwala will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf at noon sharp, on Saturday the 20th inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday

A SILVER Cup called the "Firestone Cup" has been presented to the Committee of the Motor Meet to be awarded to the winner of The Open Class event for Motor Cars. The Cup will be exhibited from to night at the show window of the S. E. C. Electrical Store, New Road.

In the military departments of the Army Headquarters there are now. says the Simla correspondent of the "Englishm in," some 150 women clerks, and all of these have released at least one man for sterner work. The correspondent met a particularly earnest young lady the other day who assured him that she was doing work originally performed by two men and a half.

--:0: --FROM Paris we learn that the medical profession is greatly puzzled by an infectious disease among children, 7 classes of which have been admirted in one week to the Trousseau Hospital, Paris, while cases are reported in a number of other districts. Opinion is divided as to whether it is a new malady or an obscure form of epidemic infantile paralysis. It is accompanied by viclent headache and growing sleepiness, for which reason Dr. Nethas named it lethargic encephalitis. He states that similar epidemic occurred in the United States last year and that it is and oubtedly infectious. - Rr.

A TRICHINOPOLY correspondent sends the Madras Mail an account of the death of a young Indian, a student in a local College, trom snake-bite. While out walking, it is stated, he was bitten by a cobra, which was lying in the road, almost cut in two by a passing jutka. Now, there is a wid spread belief, remarks our contemporary, that the cobra is practically harmless unless it can raise itself into the characteristic attitude, i's poison fangs being so placed that they cannot be used until it strikes downwards from this elevation. In this particular case the snake could not have done this, as its spine was obviously broken, and it could not bave raised itself to strike with a broken back. It follows that either the belief we have indicated, says the Madras paper, is a myth or the snake could not have been a cobra.

A MEIKTILA correspondent writes: The village of Thapan-eight miles faom Meiktila-was the scene of considerable excitement on June 6 when a full grown leopard visited the place in broad day-light. The village dogs, assisted by their owners, immediately surrounded the marauder, but the brute soon scattered the crowd of bipeds and quadrupeds, and made off. On the outskirts of the village, "Spots" met an old Burman, and instantly charged him - just the sort of thing to expect from a cowardly leopard. Fortunately the old Burman carried a heavy stick. with which he struck the brast across the mouth, causing it to stagger and spin round. With the courage born of despair, the old villager belaboured the brute so energetically that he succeeded, singlebanded, in killing it outright. The story may sound apocryphal, but it is believed to be true in all essential details, one conclusive proof being that our hero received the usual Govern. ment reward of Rs. 20 for destroying the big feline.

Triple Sausage Tragedy.

The following story of heartless triffing with all the finer feelings of the German soul is told by the Chemnit**z " V**olksblatt

Herr Franz Hochheimer leader of the orchestra in a famons Berlin café. has just celebrated his professional jubilee, in honour of which one of his admirers presented him with a sausage of such magnificent dimensions that the musician was overcome with emo-

The next moment an official of the criminal appeared on the scene and confiscated the gift.

On the following morning the broken-hearted band-master proceeded to the police station to lodge a protest against the seizure of the sausage. To his horror he then learned that the police were ignorant of the whole affair.

When he returned home the musician found a letter in which he was informed that the whole episode was a hoax, and that the causage was a sham one, the skin being filled not with luscious fragments of divine pork and liver, but with prossic sawdust.

The Motor Meet.

In connection with the Motor Meet, a Lottery will be held in aid of the S. E. F. and the S. R. C. Tickets of one tical each may be had at every Police Station. One half of the whole takings will be divided into 3 prizes. lst. Prize 50 per cent., 2nd. 30 per cent., and the 3rd. 20 per cent. Over thirty thousand tickets have been sold. A spectator coming to watch the races must have at least one ticket. Five tickets admit a car or any wheeled vehicle into the enclosure, but passengers coming in the vehicle including the driver must each have a ticket for himself. Chairs are also provided at the Grand Stand at the charge of 4 tickets. The more tickets you hold the more chances you have to win the

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The Committee of the Motor Meet.

There has hitherto been no publication as to who the Committee are. Better late than never, so here goes H. E. Chao Phya Yomaraj (Chairman), Prince Kamrob, Phya Petchapani, Phya Gada, Phra Raja Sawok, Mesers. W. G. Johnson, R. D. Craig, R. Belhomme Hamilton Price, W. L. Grut, S. E. But-I-r. and Luang Sri Banja.

Patriotic League of **Britons Overseas.**

Up-Country Siam Branch.

From the Hon. Sec. and Treasurer of the above. League we have received the following :-

At a Meeting held in Chiengmai on June 1st last the Up-country Siam Branch of the Patriotic League of Britons Overseas was formally disbanded, a meeting having been previously held in Lakon from which a recommendation to this effect had been received by the Committee, as the proposed amalgamation of the League with the Overseas Club did not meet with the approval of a large majority of the Members.

The Committee now beg to hand you a copy of the Accounts of the League from its inception up to May 31st last, up to which date Members subscriptions have been paid; shewing a total amount collected of Rs. 59,000 which has been remitted Home to the Admiralty Sea Plane Fund, the Netley Bed Fund in momory of Up-country men who have fallen in the War, and

various War Funds. New Associations with similar objects to the Patriotic League have been formed in Chiengman and Lakon, and the Committee trust that Up-country Britons will continue to support these as they have hitherto supported the Patriotic League. Names and Subscripflone may be sent to the "British Upcountry War Aids Association of The Borneo Company Limited, Chiengmai, for Salween, Rahang, and Bin Nar or to the sister Association c/o H. Fitzmaurice Esq. Lakon, Lampang, for Purae, Nan, Muang Ngo, Muang Pong, Paknampho, Pitsanulok etc.: and may be earmarked for any purpose desired. The minimum annual Subscription to the new Associations has been fixed at Tcs. 5, but monthly subscription of any amount will be gratefully received.

Old and New Versions.

There are probably no original jokes nowadays; like the plots of stories, they are all variations upon standard types. One of the new magazines tells how Mrs. Jones rushed into her husband's office : "Oh, John, Norah made a mistake and tried to start the fire with gasoline!" "Gasoline, eh?" said John calmly. "Did she get it started! Why, it blew her out of the window!" "Oh, well, it was her afternoon out, anyway." This is a new version of the touching parody which school children recited half a century

> Mary had a little lamp, Crockful of paraffin. She went to light the fire with it, And has not since benzine.

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War **Ureat**

The Western Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM) London, July 17.

French Communiqué: - After violent artillery preparation the Germans attacked in the morning of 15th July from Chateau Thierry to Maid de Massiges. Our troops are energetically sustaining the enemy's shock on a front of about eighty kilometres. The battle is proceeding.

War Prisoners Conference.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, July 17. Hague :- The Anglo German War Prisoners Conference has resulted very satisfactorily and in arrangement is similar to the Franco German Berne

Haiti Joins In.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, July 17. Port-an-Prince: - The State Council has unanimously declared wir against

A New Ally.

The Republic of Haiti

Haiti, the latest state to declare war on Germany, is a negro republic forming the western part of the islan l of Haiti. Although but a small state it is, in many respects, one of the most interesting communities in the world being the most successful example of constitutional model by negroes. This constitution, thoroughly republican in form, is French in origin as are also the laws, language, traditions and enstoms of Haiti.

The people are almost entirely price. blooded negroes and are a kindly people but ignorant and lozy. Roman Catholicism is the state relicion but all classes of society are said to be per-meated with a thinly disguised adherence to the horrid rites of Vocico through this has been strengously denied. The morals of the people are said to be lax and justice is venal and corruption among officials rampant,

Haiti has had a very chequered history. It was discovered by Columbus in 1492 and camed by him Espaguola or Little Spain. At that time the island was populated by about 2,000,000 natives described by the great discoverer as weak in body and mind. After a few years of Spanish rule they were practically exterminated and their places taken by African slaves whose descendants form the present popula-

About 1630 the Buccaneers settled on that part of the island now called Haiti and made them wives a terror in the surrounding seas but in 1637 by the treaty of Ryswick the part they occupied was ceded to France and was a flourishing colony when the French R-volution broke out in 1789.

In 1791 the negroes broke out into nsurrection and for several years the island was in a state of turmoil and acts of the most fiendish cruelty were perpetrated. By 1801 a talented negro, Toussaint l'Ouverture, succeeded in restoring order and after numerous quarrels with the French he laid down his arms but was seized and sent to France where he died in prison.

In 1803 the independence of the island was declared and a negro, Jean ; Jacques Des-a incs, male Governor for life. His first act was to massacr . all the white people on the island. In 1804 this miscreant proclaimed himsett Emperor of Hairi and was crowned with great pomp but in 1806 he was assessinated by his subjects. Then followed years of civil strife until a republic was declared in 1822 since when the history of the island has been a long series of revolutions. In 1908 the state of affairs was so bad that the Powers had to send war-ships to Port au-Prince. During the last decade, however, the state has made some small advance towards a stable government.

Paddy Crop Report July 17, 1918.

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Fighting South of the Aisne.

Paris, July 12. The capture of Corey and Longport

-stormed and carried by the French —is the logical sequel of their success at Chavigny on Wednesday. The possession of these points gives them a series of a rong outposts guarding the approaches to the north-eastern positions in the Villers-Cotterets forest. For these villages the Germans had to pay in June a heavy price, in their vain attempts to drive the French from the forest.

Items.

Paris, July 12. The Chamber of Deputies yesterday voted the renewal of the charter of the Back of France for 25 years from the 1st July, 1921.

The Paris Municipality is organizing a reception to be held at the City Hall on July 14th for the Ambassadors and Ministers of the Allied Powers, A formal sitting will be held in the Municipal Council will propose to the assembly that the names of the Chiefs of State of the Entente Powers be given to thoroughfares in the capital.

The draft of a decree making an appropriation of 50 million francs, to secure the expenditure on the construction of a harbour at Paris, will be submitted to the Municipal Council.

M. Branting's Impressions.

Paris, July 14. M. Branting, the Swedish socialist leader, has just returned to Paris after r visit to the Allied front. He declared he had been greatly impressed by the fine spirit shown, not only by the soldiers, but by the non-combatants, Chinese and Annamites, engaged on road repairing and other urgent work. a state peopled and governed on a life added that this combination of effort by so many different races, in the same certainty of victory, is very remarkable.

The French National Day.

To-day the National Fete was celebrated in Paris with greater solemnity than ever before Private houses and public institutions were profusely decorated for the occasion. Columns of troops of all the $oldsymbol{\Delta}$ llied armies-French, British, Italian, Belgian, American, Serbian, Polish, Cz. cho-Slovak, Greek and Portuguese-marched through the beliagged avenues, cheered by enthusiastic crowds.

The newspapers point out that hence-forth the 14th July will have a new character. It is the less not only of France, but of the whole world united for the defence of right and liberty against the German brutal attempt at world domination.

The Amba-sadors and Ministers of the Allied Powers attended a meeting of the Paris Municipal Council, when President Poincaré signed decrees giving the names of Allied Sovereigns to public thoroughfares.

Washington: A resolution has been voted by the Senate urging the citizens of the United States to observe the French national day, the 14th July. It says: It is desirable that the American people should show their admiration for the subline courage with which the French people have defended the world's liberties for near ly four years, and should express the firm determination of America to uphold the cause of the free nations to the utmost limit of their resources.

A Yangtsze Mystery.

Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer for the United States Department of Agricultural and an expert of world wide reputation, mysteriously disappeared from on board the N.Y.K. river boat Feng Yang Maru on the Yangtsze recently. It is believed that ne tell overboard and was drowned a short distance out of Wuhn. The body has been recovered Mr. Meyer was bound from Hankow to Shanghai. Mr. Meyer, who was 42 years old, had spent a great deal of time in research throughout China, making many discoveries valuable to agriculture in the United States. He was responsible for the domestication of the bamboo in America and also for the introduction there of a variety of peach found in the areas of China and traced by Mr. Meyer as of the original stock of that tree. On his last trip he gathered varieties of wheat and barley from the high altitules of Kansu for shipment to America. He had estimated that these grains, growing at the highest altitude known, would add greatly to the grain-growing area of the United

The Silver Wedding.

London, July 6 -Their Majesties' silver wedding was celebrated simply but eventually. The chief ceremonies were a special thanksgiving service at St. Paut's, where the Imperial Conference represe tatives were among those present, and the presentation at the Guildhall of an address.

The royal procession consisted of a small, imposing semi-state cavaleade, which left Buckingham Palace in fire weather and traversed a beflagged route through dense cheering crowds, with the pealing of church bells.

The Lord Mayor presented their Majesties at the Guildhell with a cheque for £53,000 for discribation among charities, and a silver tankard made in 1677, owned by Charles II. offered by the citizens of London as a personal expression of loyal and duti-

The King and Queen of the Belgi ne arrived in London during the morning and participated in the silver wedding

London, July 6 .- The King in the course of a reply to the Lord Mayor's address at the Guildhall, and that the anniversity fell when the very existence of the empire was assail d by an unscrupulous foe. We have seen with joyful graticude the wholehearted response to the call of duty which reverberated throughout the Empire. Here, in the presence of distinguished representatives of the Dominions, Colonies and the Empire of India, i warmly acclaim the noble self-acrificing course of which the president of the spirit in which our brothers across the seas have given their best in our united defence of liberty and right."

His Maj sty eloquently declared it impossible adequarely to tribute the deeds of the navy, army, air force and mercantile services. He specially mentioned the troops in East Africa, Mesopotamia, Palestine and other distant theatre-, who had experienced very trying con litions.

Referring to the spirit of mutual concession animating employers and workers which he and the Queen noticed during their visits to industrial centres in the provinces. His Majesty expressed his belief that in the furnace of war n w links of understanding and sympathy were being forged between man and man, between class and class, and we are coming to recognise as never before that we are all members of one community and that the welfare of all is interdependent. He concluded; "When peace comes, may it dawn upon an Empire strengthened in character by the fiery trial through which it has passed and knit together more closely by the memory of common efforts and common sacrifices.

Raw Material Supply

Paris, July 7.—At the International Conference of Commerce in London a motion was passed having the purpose of making the economical weapon one of the decisive factors in war and peace, The president of the French group, Chaumet, said that the fact that the Allies possess the greater part of the raw materials necessary for German industry can advantageously be opposed to the enemy's map.

The Entente hold wool 1,138,000

tone, against 97,000 held by the Central Powers, cotton 4,659,000, against nought, oily grains 8,230,000, against

166,000. The Central Powers show nothing as to olives and have no indiarubber; the Allies have 1,345,000 and 129,500 respectively. The Allies hold 780 million tons of copper against \$9 millions, 1,000 million tons of lead against 172 millions, 389 million tons of nickel against 14 million, 529 millions of aluminum against 10 millions. As to gold reserve, the Central Powers p ssess about 4,000 in the bank, the Allied countries

24,500 million. The report presented to the Conference concludes: "The ultimate future of the Central Powers and their possibilities of resurrection lie in our

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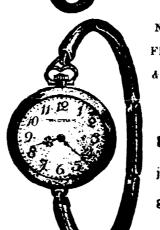
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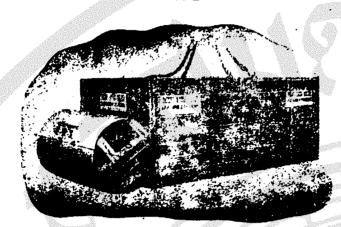
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Office of the Liquidator of Messrs. Markwald & Co.

Ministry of Finance.

Bangkok, 11th July, 1918



The sale by public auction of Machinery, godowns etc., of the Steam Rice Mill, the property of The Ministry of Finance situated at Paknampoh Mondol Nagor Sawan, will take place on the 15th August, 1918 at the office of the Inspector General of Finance, Wat Muanz Kae Lane Bangrak, Bangkok, at 10 a.m. Full particulars can be ascertained from the above mentioned Department on any day during office hours.

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General Wire News.

London, July 8.—French communique: Artillery fire prevailed between Villers Cotterens forest and the Marne. London, July, 8.—Lance-Corporal Dowling mentioned in the cable of June 19th has been courtmartialled in London. The charges were that while a war prisoner in a German camp at Limburg, he joined the Irish Brigade raised by the Germans and endeavoured to induce others to join. He also attempted to aid the enemy by landing in Ireland.

London, July 8.—In the House of Commons Mr. Lloyd George moved that an address be presented to Their Majesties, congratulating themon their silver wedding, warmly paying a tribute to Their Majesties unfailing devotion to duty and expressing the loyal affection with which the British people gave a worldwide welcome to the anniversary of so felicitious a union, and their earnest prayer for a continuance of Their Majesties' health and hampiness for many reases.

and happiness for many years.

He paid a tribute to the beauty, simplicity and purity of their Majesties home-life; their invariable kindiness and sympathy; and the unwearying devotion to duty by which they exercise. ed an unassessable influence on the hundreds of millions of the Empire, who instinctively looked to the Throne for a pattern. He also tributed the King's undaunted courage and constant thought for his soldiers and sailors, and their Majesties solicitude for the wounded and bereaved. The British people would never forget these things. Their Majerties had encouraged and inspired the war workers. When thrones were tottering and falling in other lands the British Throne was more firmly established than ever, on the only foundation namely the lasting affection and goodwill of the people. No sovereign had ever won a more assured position in the hearts of their subjects. This was a matter of imperial moment. The stability of the Turone was essential to the strength of the Empire, for it was not only a symbol but a bond of unity.

Mr. Asquith paid a tribute to the unwearying tact with which the King strove for peace in July 1914. The resolution was carried unanimously with cheers.

Paris, July 6.—The Supreme War Council held its seventh session at Versailles, and offered congratulations to the Italian army on the memorable defeat of the Austro-Hungarian army.

A feature of the session was the presence during the third meeting of Ministers of the overseas dominions of the British Empire. On behalf of the Supreme War Council, M. Clemenceau, the French Premier, and Sr Orlando, tendered to these representatives the thanks of the Allied nations for the very great services rendered by the Dominion troops.

Dominion troops.

The Supreme War Council considered the present situation of the war in all its aspects in conjunction with General Foch, French commander-inchief, and its other military advisers, and came to important decisions in regard the reto.

Among those present during the session were Mr. Lloyd George, M. Pichon, Mr. Balfour, Lord Milner, Baron Sonnino, Sir Henry Wilson, Field Marshal Haig, General Pershing, General Guillain and the permanent military representatives of the Allies at Versailles.

London, July 8.—Wireless Russian Official: A counter revolutionary rising of the left social revolutionaries at Moscow was suppressed. Several were arrested.

Batavia, July 9.—Nipa's correspondent at Tokio wires that Vladivestock has fallen to the Czechoslovaks, who captured the Soviet headquarters, the national bank and munitions. Resistance was light. There are many thousand Czechs at Vladivostock.

British, Japanese and American landing parties enforced neutrality in the neighbourhood of the consulates.

M. Lenin, informing Ambassador Joffe in Berlin of the murder of Count Mirbach, orders him immediately to visit Baron Kuehlmann and express indignation. He states that MM. Lenin, Sverlofer, Tchitcherin and Karahan, on receipt of the news, immediately assured the chief of the German mission that extraordinary measures would be taken for the discovery of the murderers. The whole quarter in which the Embassy was situated was immediately surrounded by troops and severe control established over arrivals in and departures from the 10wn. An extraordinary plenipotentiary will be dispatched to Berlin to express indignation.

Paris, July 7—According to information obtained by Le Matin, the failure of German policy in the Ukraine is now confirmed through a reliable source. The merchant Mefchior, appointed president of the Commission sent to the Ukraine to study the question of cereals, has returned to Germany declaring that the importation of Ukraine products into Germany is not to be expected before two years. London, July 8—A German expedi-

tion to Moscow is anticipated as a result of Count Mirbach's murder.
London, July 6—The French Socialist Party met in the Chamber yes.

terday to hear a statement by M. Kerensky and Mr. Brancing, leader of the Swedish Socialist Party. M. Kerensky, after describing the present state of Russia, read a document issued by the principal groups of the Constituent Assembly, who held a secret meeting in Mry last, stating that the Assembly refused to recognize the peace of Brest Litovsk. M. Kerensky insisted on the necessity of the Allies going to the help of Russia, who was powerless to aid herself.

London, July 8.—Mr. Gibson Bowles, in a letter to the Times, denounces the concession as regards the Durch convoy as a return to the Declaration of London, and asks whether the Allies concur. If not, then the convoy is liable to search by Japanese or United States warships, also to attack by German submarines, unless Germany has also guaranted immunity, which would be a privilege not enjoyed by a neutral

in any war.

A Times editorial describes the Foreign Office communique on the subject of the convoy as humiliating and unintelligible, and says that the Government has established a precedent which will be cited against us.

London, July 8.—The Times correspondent in Tokio, witing on the 1-t, stated that a council of field-marshals and admirals has decided on a plan for the co-operation of the army and navy, and approved in principle the increasing of the army to 21 corps, 42 divisions and 126 regiments.

Moscow, June 28 - (Delayed) Seventyfive thousand well-armed revolutionary troops are marching on Kieff from Fasteff, forty miles distant. The Germans are retiring on Kieff. The communications between Kieff and Odessa are interrupted.

Vladivostok, June 30.—The commandant of the Czechoslovaks yeserday sent an ultimatim to the local Soviet that he intended to disarm the Bolsheviks on account of opposition to the march of the Czechostovaks in western Siberia to Vladivostok. The reply not forthcoming within half an thour, disarmament was carried out without resistance, except from a building near the station, which the Czechoslovaks captured in the evening. A number of Bolsheviks, including Austro-German prisoners were killed and wounded. The former administration was restored.

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Paris, July 6.—At a meeting of the Socialist group of the chamber M. Kerensky read a resolution adopted at a secret meeting on June 18, 1918 of the council comprising representatives of all parties in the Constituent Assembly with the exception of the Bolsheviks, rejecting the Brestlitovsk (reaty and declaring that Russia was still at war with Germany but emphasising that the Russians would never consent to allied intervention unless all the

allies act in common co-operation with the Russian forces against the Ger-

M. Kerensky, addressing the socialist group of the Chamber on Friday, described the German Ambassador Mirbach as the real master of Russia.

M. Kerensky interviewed raid he deplored any murder, but rejoiced at the death of Mirbach which would be fortunate for Russia and mark the commencement of a renaissance of the country. An anti German movement would start from Moscow. It was now certain that the Germans would occupy Moscow.

Zurich, July 6. - Auxiety as regards the harvesting which has begun in Austria Hungary has reached a climax, owing to the violent rains everywhere in Austria-Hungary. Snowstorms and severe frosts in Bosnia, Herzgovina and Dalmatta have caused great damage to cross and potatoes.

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Bale, July 7.—A B rlin wire states that Count Micbach, German ambass: dor in Moscow, has been assassinated. Two men sought an audience with him, shot and bombed him, and escaped.

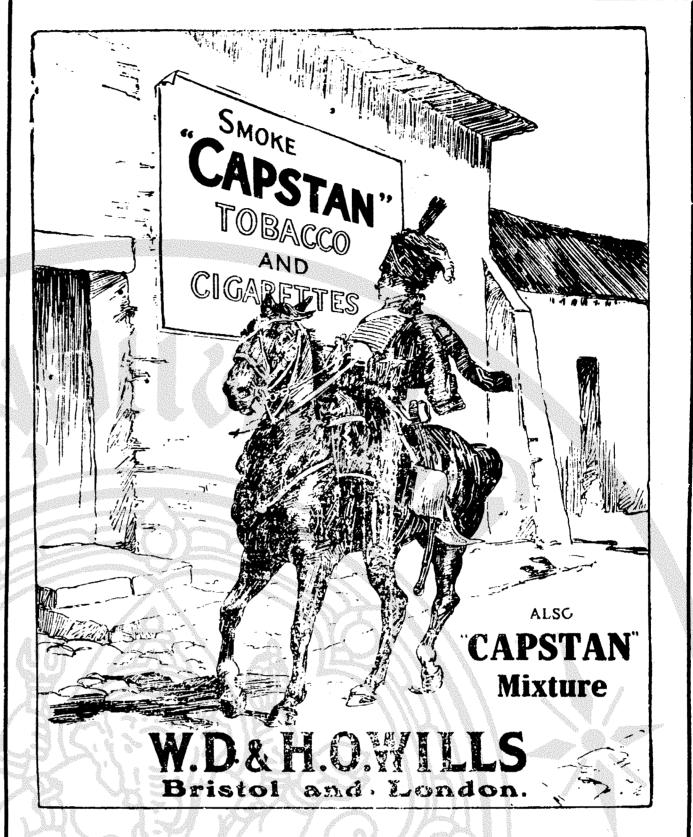
Paris, July 7.—The newspapers regard the assassination of Count Mirbach as the first stroke of vengeance by oppressed Russia against German tyranny, and a severe blow to the German plans.

Moscow, July 7—Izvestia, the official Bolshevik organ, says that the Allies will be apposed militarily if they intervene in Russia.

Pretoria, July 5.-General Botha, in an important statement, calls the attention to the existance of enemy intrigues in south Africa, which are aimed at stirring up strife not only among the Europeans, but also among the natives. He says that the events of the past few days have necessitated prompt and effective military and police methods, which have prevented grave disturbances and probably serious loss of life. He is gratified to see the couciliatory appeals which have been issued by political and industrial leaders, and calls on all good citizens to assist the Government in its strong determination to take all the necessary measures to stamp out mischief mak-

London, July 7.—The Times correspondent wired from Tokio on June 29 stating that the Czech-Slovaks control Vladivostok.

London, July 5.—Reuter is authoritatively informed that the outrage of the Llandovery Castle, which is the fourth hospital ship submarined in 1918, was deliberate and premoditated, consequent upon orders given to the submarines commander by a superior German authority, which alleged the presence on the vessel of eight flying officers. The allegation was without foundation, and could easily have



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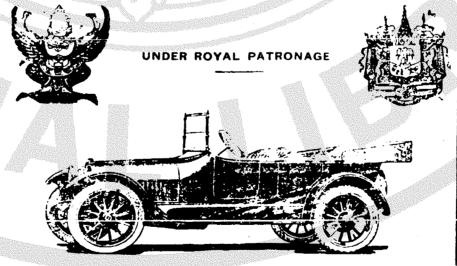
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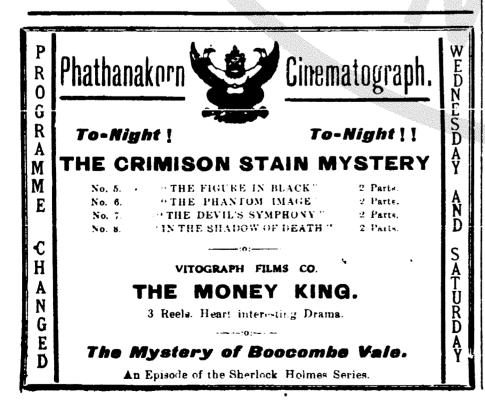
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There is no doubt that the submarine endeavoured to slaughter all the witnesses of the crime, according to the Luxburg notorious phrase "spurlos versenken," and it is clear that the British are faced with a settled plan of the German high command, to destroy all hospital ships as far as

Amsterdam, July 7 .- In the Reichstag, in a debate on the naval estimates, Admiral von Capelle claimed that the U-boat weapon was increasing in strength. The figures of losses quoted by British and French Ministers were not true. The enemy tonnage was constantly decreasing owing to sinkings, while the enemy requirements of tonnage were increasing. The U-boats, like the armies, would secure victory.

Washington, July 6.-The transport Covington, formerly the 16,000 ton Hamburg American liner Cincinnati, was sunk in the war zone. Six of the crew are missing. There were no passengers aboard.

London, July 6.-At a Government dinner to the International Parliamentary Commercial Conference, Mr. Bonar Law, referring to the coming blow, said that it would not be less dangerous because time was being taken preparing for it. The Allied high command was confident as regards the result. The fateful hour of the war had arrived. If, three months hence, our enemies had gained no strategic objects, then their campaign would have failed, and it was hoped that it would be a decisive failure.

The Government would not lose hope as regards Russia. Germany was already learning that she was not getting what she anticipated from ilussia. As regards the economic question, the Allied Governments were practically agreed with the views of the Commercial Conference that the alliance would, after the war, continue to stand to gether in order to repair the ravages of the war. There was no immediate hope of peace which was obtainable

only through victory.

Mr. Barnes agreed with Mr. Bonar Law, that there was no cheap or easy way out of the war. The Russians had got peace by negotiation. However long the war lasted, it would only end in freeing the world from militarism.

Washington, July 6 .- Congratulations received by President Wilson on the 4th included a telegram from Sr. Carronza expressing the most fervent wishes of the Mexican people and wishes of the Mexican people and prise. For three years it has been one doctor's bill Covernment for the prosperity of the of the standing dishes of German pro-

vent of everlasting peace and justice in both continents.

Hague, July 5.—The convoy sailed this morning for the Dutch East In-

London, July 6 .- The Press Bureau says that the British Government has abandoned the right of a search of the Dutch convoy which sailed to day from Holland, having been furnished with the information required. The Netherlands have been advised that the concession is not repeatable.

adopted the Espionage Bill without a division after the Socialist and Republican opponents had walked out.

New York, July 7 .- Major Mitchel, ex-mayor of New York, was killed whilst flying in Louisiana.

Madrid, July 7 .- The Espionage Bill, (cabled on the 5th) is denounced in the Liberal and Socialist press as pro-German. A Cabinet crisis is forecasted. The Chamber is heatedly discussing the measure, sitting all night.

Replying to furious Socialist criticisms, the Foreign Minister denied that the Bill was meant to gur the press and to avoid st pping the insolence of certain organs towards certain heads of

the State.
Amsterdam, July 7.—Berlin: The potato rations have been reduced to a pound weekly.

Amsterdam, July 7.—From Constantinople. Wahideddin has been proclaimed Sultan at the Topkapuf palace, whence the remains of Mehemed Fifth were afterwards removed and interred in the Mosque at

Santiago de Caile. The cabinet has resigned; up to now there has been no explanation.

The Suicide of a Lie.

"Our new sorts of powder all develop carbonic oxide gas. The use of this gas was organised by us and the enemy soon followed.' This state-ment was made by General von Stein, Germany's Minister of War, in the Reichstag on April 23, with the air of a man glorying in a triumph of German civilisation. It is no news to the rest of the world that the Germans led the way in the use of poison gas, but that the fact should be proudly pro-claimed by the German War-Minister is somewhat in the nature of a sur-

United States and the very early ad- paganda to impute to the Entente Allies the first use of poison gas. As recently as March 11, German wireless was spluttering with indignation at the suggestion that Germany was the pioneer in this branch of modern warfare, "Heaven forbid" it said in effect, "that innocent Germany should ever have thought of any hing so herrible,' and proceeded to adduce evidence (of a kind) that the French and I ritish first used poison gases. "That the Entente" ran the wireless message "in the spring of 1915 made gas attacks before the Germans appears Madrid, July 7.-The Chamber from the fact that the German Army communiqué of March 1st reported enemy poison gas attacks with artillery shells and hand grenades, whilst the French and English army communiqués make no mention of German gas

tacks till April 24, 1915." There is a delicious naivele about the auggestion that any one in the world outside Germany would accept as evidence the word of an official Ger man statement. But the War Minister with cynical outspokenness has swept way the whole fabric of false od constructed by his own propagandists. It has long been obvious, in the light of subsequent events, that the German communiques of March 1, 1915, was meant to pave the way for a justification of the illegal and barbarous introduction of poison gas into warfare. But it has never till now been admitted by the Germans that they were merely lying, according to their wont. It seems that even at the risk of discrediting a veteran lie that had done yeoman service. General Stem could not resist the temptation of taking credit for the fact that in this, as in so many other departments of Kultur, (such as the poisoning of wells, the dissemination of diseases, the terruring of prisoners, the abduction and violation of women and the wanton destruction of sacred buildings) Germany holds undisputed pre emmence.-(Lt. C. D. Stelling in W O.P.)

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