

"Siam Observer"
Oldest Established
Daily Newspaper
in Siam.
Has the Largest
Circulation.
Subscriptions
English Edition
For 50 per annum.
Siam Edition
For 25 per annum.

The Siam Observer.

"Siam Observer"
STATIONERY STORE
STOCKS
Account Books,
Office Requisites
and
Stationery of
Every Description.

FIRST DAILY TO BE PUBLISHED IN SIAM.

VOL. 42. NO. 197

BANGKOK, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1916.

PRICE 25 SATANGS

STEAMER SAILINGS.

K. P. M.
JAVA-SIAM LINE
OF THE
Royal Packet S. N. Co.
(KONINKLIJK PAKETVAART
MAATSCHAPPIJ.)
DIRECT SERVICE
between Bangkok and Java.

Through Bills of Lading are issued
for all Netherlands Indian and Aus-
tralian Ports.
For rates of freight and passage
please apply to:

DIETHELM & Co., LTD.,
Agents.

British India Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.

The s.s. "Mata Hari" is leaving for
Singapore on Monday afternoon
direct.
For all particulars, rates of freight
etc.

Apply to:
The Bombay Burmah Trading Corpora-
tion Limited.

BURNS-PHILP-LINE

SINGAPORE-JAVA-AUSTRALIA
(MONTHLY SERVICE)

CALLING AT
Batavia, Samarang, Sourabaya,
Port Darwin, Thursday Island,
Brisbane and Sydney via
Torres Straits.

Through booking to all Ports in
Australia and New Zealand.
For freight, passage, full particulars
and Guide Books, etc., apply to

THE ARRACAN COMPANY, LTD.
AGENTS

KWONG ON CHEONG

HIGH CLASS TAILOR,

Opposite Oriental Avenue on the
NEW ROAD.

Executes all kinds of Tailoring in
the latest fashions.
Hand Post Card, and he will wait on
you personally

Notice.

I, the undersigned beg
to notify all customers
and clients that my
business is now located
at the new building at
the corner of Klong
Poh Yome and Bang-
rak

Ah Seang, Tailor.

HARP HENG LONG

We beg to inform the Public that
we have just opened our shop in
Jawarat Road, Nos. 104-109. We
have received a large stock of Iron
and Brassware, Paint and Oils, &c., &c.

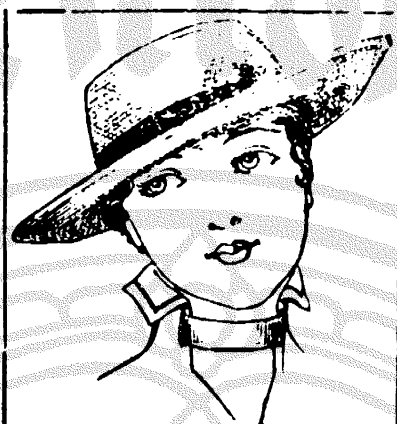
Houses and Boat Builders and Con-
tractors are invited to pay us a visit.

Our prices are very moderate and
we allow a discount of 5 per cent on
cash purchases

SPECIAL DISPLAYS OF NEW GOODS THROUGHOUT THE STORE



All the newest styles and
colours in Ladies Ready-to-
wear Millinery, Straw, Felt
and Silk, also smart untrimmed
shapes. See the special display
to-morrow in our Ladies
section.



NEW GOODS IN OUR LADIES SECTION.

Collars, Blouses under cloth-
ing, Bolts, Millinery, Children's
Hats, Golf Jerseys, Grand dis-
plays commencing to-morrow.

WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW & CO., LTD.

Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company.

N.B. All Sailings are subject to alteration if and as necessary.

HOMEWARD 1916

Leaves Singapore	Connecting at	Due London
s.s. "Nankin" Aug. 4	Colombo with	Aug. 28
"Novara" " 18	s.s. "Malwa"	" 11
"Nore" " 1	" "Kaiser-i-Hind"	" 25
"Malta" " 15	" "Mooltan"	" 9
"Namur" " 29	" "Kashgar"	" 23
"Sardinia" Oct. 13	" "Arabia"	Nov. 5
"Novara" " 27	" "Morea"	" 19
"Nore" Nov. 10	" "Medina"	Dec. 3

Intermediate Direct Sailings

s/s "Somali" leaves Singapore about Aug. 23 due London Sept. 30

OUTWARD-1916

For China.

Due Singapore	Connection with	Leaving London
s/s "Novara" July 9	s/s "Kaiser-i-Hind"	June 9
"Nore" " 23	" "Kashgar"	" 20
"Malta" Aug. 7	" "Arabia"	" 7
"Namur" " 21	" "Morea"	" 18
"Sardinia" Sept. 3	" "Medina"	" 4
"Somali" " 17	" "Mongolia"	" 18
"Nore" Oct. 1	" "Malwa"	Sept. 1
"Nyanza" " 15	" "Mooltan"	" 15
"Malta" " 30	" "Kashgar"	" 29
"Nankin" Nov. 13	" "Arabia"	Oct. 12
"Novara" " 26	" "Morea"	" 27

Wireless Telegraphy Fitted on all Steamers.

All passengers holding through tickets will be met on arrival at Singapore by
the Company's launch which will take over heavy baggage for shipment to the
oncarrying vessel.

ROUND THE WORLD

Circular tickets are issued which allow of passengers proceeding to London
via Suez, returning via America, or vice versa.

Full particulars can be obtained on application.

THE BORNEO COMPANY, LTD

Agents

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Japanese Mail Steamship Company.

N.B.—All Sailings are approximate & are subject to alteration if and as necessary.
Steamers are due to leave SINGAPORE for EUROPE as follows:

1916	1916
s.s. Atsuta Maru Aug. 26	s.s. Kitano Maru Oct. 11
s.s. Hitachi Maru " 30	s.s. Fushimi Maru " 25
s.s. Iyo Maru Sept. 13	s.s. Hirano Maru Nov. 8
s.s. Miyazaki Maru " 27	s.s. Kaga Maru " 23
FOR HONGKONG AND JAPAN.	
1916	1916
s.s. Kitano Maru Aug. 13	s.s. Katori Maru Oct. 22
s.s. Fushimi Maru " 27	s.s. Kashimi Maru Nov. 5
s.s. Hirano Maru Sept. 10	s.s. Mishima Maru " 19
s.s. Kaga Maru " 24	s.s. Suwa Maru Dec. 3
s.s. Kamo Maru Oct. 8	s.s. Atsuta Maru " 17

JAPAN-AMERICA LINE.

Steamers are due to leave HONGKONG for SEATTLE as follows:

1916	1916
s.s. Kamakura Maru Aug. 8	s.s. Shizuka Maru Oct. 11
s.s. Yokohama Maru Aug. 30	s.s. Kamakura Maru Nov. 3
s.s. Sado Maru Sept. 19	s.s. Yokohama Maru Nov. 22

JAPAN-AUSTRALIAN LINE.

Steamers will leave HONGKONG for MELBOURNE as follows:

1916	1916
s.s. Aki Maru Aug. 15	s.s. Nikko Maru Oct. 18
s.s. Tango Maru Sept. 12	s.s. Aki Maru Nov. 14

Round the World Tickets issued in either direction.
For Passage, Freight and all information apply to

THE BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

Agents.

English Travelling Bags,

Leather Hand Bags, Suit Cases.

Hand Kit Bags frame covered Leather, Hand-
sewn, fitted with nickelplated
Fittings English Cow hide throughout, with Linen Lining.
Stocked in 16", 18" and 20".

Gladstone Bags made of sound English Bag-
hide, on strong frame,
Hand-sewn, English locks, Bridle Leather Straps all
round Bag, Fittings solid not hollow. Stocked in 20", 22",
24" and 26".

Suit Cases of solid English Cow-hide of good
substance, Hand-sewn throughout, Sil-
kette lined with expanding Pocket inside, Lever double
Action Nickelplated Locks. Stocked in 24" and 26".

Attache Cases made of solid Ox-hide,
Hand-sewn, Nickelplated
Locks. Stocked in 10", 12", 14", 16" and 18".

Compressed Cane Trunks.

Stocked in 34", 36" and 38".

Oriental Store.



THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD.

Bangkok-Europe Line

s/s "Skandia" ... Arr. Leg. of Oct. 1916

THE SIAM STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

West coast Mail Service.

For Koh Lak, Chumpon, Taku, Langsuen, Bandon, Koh Samui, Luchoh
Singora, Patani, Panarai, Telupin, Bangnara, Takbai, Kelantan, Becho
Somerak, Bisut, Tringganu, Kretay and Singapore.

Departures from Bangkok.

s.s. "Prachitipok" ...	2, 9, 16,
s.s. "Mahidol" ...	5, " "
s.s. "Asiang" ...	9, " "
s.s. "Yugala" ...	12, " "
s.s. "Boribai" ...	16, " "
No departure ...	19, " "
Not calling at Koh Lak, Taku, Koh Samui, Kretay	
" Koh Samui, Panarai.	

East Coast Mail Service

For Sriracha, Kohsichang, Koh Pui, Koh Pra, Rayong, Koh Samui,
Chantaboon, Ban Yao, Krat, (& Koh Kong fortnightly).

s.s. "Chutathul" leaving every Wednesday at noon; not calling at Koh Pui

s.s. "Krat" " Saturday " " Kohsichang
and Koh Kong.

All the steamers are fitted throughout with Electric light and have excel-
lent accommodation for First Class passengers.

For Freight, Passage and Particulars apply to

THE EAST ASIATIC Co., Ltd.

Managing Agents.

BANKING COMPANIES

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID UP CAPITAL ... \$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS.
STERLING £1,500,000 @ 2/- \$15,000,000
SILVER ... 18,000,000
33,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS
\$15,000,000

HEAD OFFICE.
HONGKONG.
CHIEF MANAGER.
N. J. STABB.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES

Amoy Ipoh Peking
Bangkok Johore Penang
Batavia Kobe Hongkong
Bombay Kuala Lumpur Saigon
Calcutta London San Francisco
Canton Lyons Shanghai
Colombo Malacca Singapore
Fookchow Manila Sourabaya
Hankow Nagasaki Tientsin
Hongkong New York Yokohama
(Shanghai)

BANKING AGENCY

INTEREST Allowed on current accounts at the rate of 1 per cent per annum on the daily balances.

FIXED DEPOSITS are received on terms which can be ascertained on application.

Letters of credit issued available in the Principal Cities of the world.

Drafts granted. Bills negotiated or sent for collection and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Office Hours - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Saturdays - 9 " " 12 noon
E. W. TOWNEND,
Agent.

Chartered Bank

OF
INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... £1,200,000
RESERVE FUND ... £1,800,000
FURTHER LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS ... £1,200,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Sir Montagu Cornish Turner, (Chairman)
Sir Henry B. Cunningham, K. C. I. E.
Thomas Cuthbertson, Esq.
Sir Alfred Dent, K. C. M. G.
William Henry Neville Goschen, Esq.
The Rt. Hon. Lord George Hamilton, G. C. S. I.
W. Foot Mitchell, Esq.
Lewis Alexander Wallace, Esq.

Current Accounts are opened and interest allowed at 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balances.

Deposits are received for fixed periods at rates which can be ascertained on application.

G. E. ALLEN,
Agent.

Bangkok, July 1, 1909.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE

Societe Anonyme au Capital de 48,000,000 de Francs.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

M. Baron Hely d'Ossel, Chairman,
M. A. de Monpland, Deputy Chairman.

M. E. Rathenau M. P. Boyer
M. P. Desvieux M. A. de Germigny
M. H. Guernaut M. Georges Louis
M. L. Masson M. A. Rostand
M. Edgard Stern M. R. de Tregomain
M. Stanislas Simon

Managing Director—M. Stanislas Simon
Joint-Manager—M. Rene Thion de la Channe
Government Supervisor—M. Demartial

London Bankers.

The Union of London & Smiths Bank, Ltd.
Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris.

Bangkok Agency.

Current Accounts are opened and interest allowed at 1 p.c. per annum on the daily balances.

Deposits are received for fixed periods at rates which can be ascertained on application.

C. HENRY, Manager.

Branches and Agencies.

Bangkok ... Phom-Penh
Battambang ... Pondicherry
Canton ... Saigon
Haiphong ... Shanghai
Hankow ... Singapore
Hanoi ... Papeete
Hongkong ... Tientsin
Noumea ... Tourane
Montze ... Djibouti
Pekin ...

RHEUMATISM.

Have you ever tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism? If not, you are wasting time, as the longer this disease runs on the harder it is to cure. Get a bottle today, apply it with a vigorous massage to the afflicted parts and you will be surprised and delighted at the relief obtained. For sale by the British Dispensary.

BANKING COMPANIES

The Siam Commercial Bank Ltd.

Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID UP CAPITAL
TICALS 3,300,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

E. Florio, (Chairman), Phra Boribon
Phya Boribon Raja Koenkorn
Sombati Luang Rik
Phya Jaiyos Sombati Narongron,
W. Brehmer, Esq.,
A. Willeke, Esq.

London Bankers—Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft, Swiss Bankverein.
The Institution buys, sells, and collects Bills of Exchange on Europe, India, and China and transacts every description of Exchange and Banking business.

Current Account Deposits at 1% on daily balances.

Rates of Interest allowed on the fixed deposits may be ascertained on application.

Safe-Deposit Lockers let to the public at monthly rental.

Office hours ... 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Saturdays ... 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

A. WILLEKE,

Actg. Manager,

Bangkok, March 27, 1909.

BANGKOK LIBRARY.

Suriwongse Road

(Near the Lawn Tennis Club.)

Open daily, Sundays excepted.
Sept. 1st to Feb. 28th—4 to 6.30 p.m.
March 1st to Aug. 31st—4.30 to 7 p.m.

Annual Subscription Tcs. 20

Half yearly Subscription Tcs. 12.

Quarterly do ... 8.

Monthly subscription Tcs. 3 for visitors only, who will be required to deposit Tcs. 5.

Subscriptions, payable in advance, date from day of payment, and may be handed in at the Library any time in the year or sent to

MRS. GITTIN

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

HARP VOJR LONG & CO.

Facing Sampeng Old Market, Jawarat Road, No. 184 to 189.

We have just unpacked a large shipment of our well-known High Class Paints, Varnishes, Linseed, Oils, Brasses, Iron-ware, and Carpenter's, Blacksmith's, Silver smith's Tools, and various kinds of best Chinese Silks always in stock.

INSPECTION INVITED. PRICES MODERATE.
Tel. No. 535

MARTIN'S
APIOL & STEEL
PILLS

A French Remedy for all irregularities. The discovery of a French doctor, Dr. Martin, in the year 1850, that on the first sign of any irregularity of the monthly course, a small dose of his pills would cure it, has since been confirmed by the most eminent medical authorities. At all Chemists and Grocers, or post free to MARTIN, Chemist, SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND.

No Household

can be really happy if any of its members are ailing. Good health in a family is a boon which is beyond price, and which is, success and felicity are practically impossible. Much illness is preventable, and is occasioned chiefly by neglect. Much anxiety given on the account of near and dear ones is, therefore, avoidable. It is of the utmost importance that a reliable remedy should always be at hand to relieve the earliest symptoms of indisposition. Beecham's Pills are an excellent household medicine safe to take and sure in their curative results. No home

Should Be Without

them. They exercise a beneficial effect upon the liver, stomach, kidneys and bowels. They are speedy relief, and, in time, they remove most of the ailments connected with these important organs. Attacks of biliousness, constipation, flatulence, headache, dyspepsia and other disorders of the digestive system are speedily dispelled by

BEECHAM'S
PILLS.

There is yet another point that you should mark on the tablet of your memory. Beecham's Pills, in addition to their acknowledged value in kidney, liver, and stomach disorders, have a specially beneficial effect in such ailments as are peculiar to women, many of whom endure needless pain and ill-health through ignorance of this important fact.

Write for circulars to Beecham's Pills.

Write and obtain the pills by post free of charge.

Notice.

CONSIGNEES OF GOODS:—

Ex s.s. "Glenstrae"
"Eurymachus"
"Alcinous"
"Benten Maru"
"Kitano Maru"

and Balances ex s.s. "Protesilaus", "Glengyle", "Teucer", "Knight Companion", "Ceylon Maru", "Miyazaki Maru" & "Bendoran".
are hereby notified that same have arrived per s.s. "Katong" on the 29th inst. and will be landed and stored at our wharf.

No Claim will be entertained unless made within 10 days after final discharge of the steamer.

Goods not cleared within 3 days after final discharge of cargo will be liable for go-down rent.

BORNEO CO., LIMITED.

Agents.

E. M. PEREIRA & Co.

Who hold Auction Sales every Saturday guarantee to obtain the best prices procurable for your goods. This, together with the prompt settlement of accounts: their knowledge of languages: their long established business: the liberal manner in which they accommodate those who wish to leave the country by the earliest opportunity has appealed to the business instincts of the leading Consulates. Mercantile firms and all who have anything to sell, making them the leading auctioneers of Siam.

TIDE TABLE.

DEPTH OF WATER ON THE
BANGKOK BAR.

FOR SEPT., 1916.

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

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

PHASES OF THE MOON.

Sept. 5th) First Quarter 11.3 a.m.
" 12th) Full Moon 3.13 a.m.
" 19th) Last Quarter 0.17 p.m.
" 27th) New Moon 2.16 p.m.

The Antilles Purchase.

The principal topic in American official circles are the negotiations for the transfer of the Danish West Indies to the United States. While it is recognized that the purchase will not be a fair accomplishment until King Christian X. has given his assent and the Rigsdag has passed on the transaction in conformity with the Constitution, which expressly provides that the Crown cannot cede any territory without the consent of the Rigsdag, there is scarcely the vestige of a doubt that the sale will be favorably dealt with.

It is expected that there will be some trivial opposition from the weak-kneed element in the Senate but a preliminary unofficial newspaper canvass forecasts an overwhelming majority for the "Ayes." The measure will be rushed through with the greatest possible expedition.

Thanks to the Panama Canal, great changes have been wrought in the West Indies. It has been shown that the value of the islands to the United States, from a geographical outlook alone, renders their possession by this country absolutely essential for the sake of national welfare.

Great stress has been laid upon the fact that Germany, now that she is stripped of all her colonial territory, save East Africa, where the Kaiser's forces are even now in a precarious position, is naturally casting envious eyes upon the Danish Antilles, the ownership of which would give her a substantial base from which to reconstruct her shattered commerce with South America, and, in fact, enable her to rapidly win back her former position in world trade.

St. Thomas possesses one of the best natural harbors in the Lesser Antilles, and being located on the direct route from Colon, at the Atlantic termination of the Panama Canal, to the ports of Western Europe, is not only of enormous value with a view towards commercial expansion, but also has immense strategic importance.

Charlotte Amalie, or St. Thomas, as it is more commonly referred to, is already a coaling station, but those in favour of the acquisition of the islands set forth as one of their strongest arguments the fact that the town will prove an invaluable coaling and supply base for the Southern division of the main Atlantic Squadron, besides providing a sound link in the chain of Government-controlled cable.

Bulgars in Russia.

Petrograd. In the recent fighting round Baranovics (in the centre of the line), where, in spite of reinforcements, the Germans and Austrians were repulsed and where both sides have now resumed the positions occupied during the winter, some Bulgarians recently brought to this front have been taking part.

Hitherto the Germans have used their Balkan dupes only against the Russians in the character of spies. It was expected that Bulgarians speaking the same language and disguised in Russian uniforms would be most useful. That hope has been disappointed. The Bulgarian language, although written the same as Russian, is pronounced differently and the spies have in very few cases succeeded in slipping away from the Russian lines. Their speech has betrayed them and they have promptly been shot.

This further treachery, added to the renunciation by the Bulgarians of their Slav birthright and their friendship for Russia, has infuriated the Russian troops. A few days ago a party of 150 Bulgarians caught in an awkward place were most anxious to surrender. They held up their hands and tied white handkerchiefs on their rifles, and shouted to the Russians that they wished to be taken in prisoners. But the Russians had no mercy for traitors to the Slav cause, and the Bulgarians were forced to continue fighting. Almost all of them perished.

A captain of the Bulgarian Army captured last week, said that any officer who was known to regret the break with Russia was sent to a post of danger, and if possible got rid of. Many have been attached to the German Army and sent to the fore-front of the battle at Verdun.

Wanted

To buy Second Hand Furniture from private families and also shop fixtures.

Apply to—

D. FROIMAN,
COMMERCIAL HOTEL.

INSURANCE

RISKS ACCEPTED

AT

Current Rates.

FIRE.

Employers Liability Assurance Corporation Limited.
The State Assurance Company, Limited.
The China Fire Insurance Company, Limited.
Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Co., Ltd.

LIFE.

China Mutual Life Insurance Company, Limited.

MARINE.

World Marine and General Insurance Company, Ltd.

MOTOR CAR RISKS.

Employers Liability Assurance Corporation Limited.

Louis T. Leonowens Ltd.

SOLE AGENTS FOR SIAM.

FOR SALE.

An English translation by His Majesty the King of a booklet entitled

"The Buddhist Attitude towards National Defence and Administration"

BY

His Holiness The Supreme Patriarch

OF

The Kingdom of Siam

Price 65 Satangs per Copy.

FOR SALE AT

The Siam Observer Press;

Messrs. H. A. Badman & Co.; The Oriental Hotel;
The British Dispensary; Messrs. John Sampson & Sons;
Oriental Store; & Messrs. Whiteaway Laidlaw & Co., Ltd.

Troop Train Tragedy.

The Government of India have at last taken measures to punish those responsible for one of the most deplorable and painful blunders of the war. A Simla telegram published elsewhere announces that Major-General Shaw, commanding the Karachi Brigade, Brigadier-General Roe, Deputy Quartermaster-General, Army Headquarters, and Lieutenant-Colonel Macnamara, I.M.S., Assistant Director, Medical Services, Karachi Brigade, have been removed from their posts as the result of the enquiry which was ordered some six weeks ago. The communique which convey the punishment meted out to them is silent as to the nature and course of the inquiry, but presumably a report of some kind will issue, both as a tardy reparation for the mistaken policy of concealment which has been pursued hitherto, and in justice to the officers on whom the responsibility for the affair has been placed. The fatal journey began on June 5, and by June 9 135 men had been struck down and fifteen were dead. The first hint of the disaster appeared three days afterwards in the Karachi paper, and it was not until June 21, nearly a fortnight later, that the full extent of the catastrophe was given to the public in India. In the meantime the censor had been enlisted to prevent the news from leaking out through the press cables to England, and, judging from a statement by Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Commons, the first official information received at the India Office was conveyed in a message dated June 15 from the Viceroy to the Secretary of State. On July 17 and again on July 20 Mr. Chamberlain admitted that he was still without full details of the occurrence, but by July 26 Lord Islington apparently knew enough to be able to express the opinion that it was due to "lamentable, if not culpable negligence." It is impossible that the matter can be allowed to rest where it is. The attempt to hush up the details and keep back the facts has made the public as suspicious as the mismanagement of the affair has made it indignant. There is a general feeling that a want of consideration has been shown in India to the men who have given up everything to serve the Empire in its hour of need. Some of the men who have been invalided from the nightmare campaign in Mesopotamia could unfold a pitiful story as to their treatment on their recent return to India. The punishment of those responsible for the Sind disaster is a warning to all concerned of the necessity of great care in the transport of troops. But no penalty will restore the lives thrown away, and the only compensation which Government can

What the Pope Thinks.

The extreme warlike tone of a number of church newspapers is severely reproved in the Petrus Blatter of Treves, the official organ of the bishop of that famous diocese. The journal writes:—

"It is certain that the Pope does not think of the unconditional defeat of one side, and is against a war of conquest. As the Press is not without its share in bringing about this awful war it is its duty now to lay the spirits which it has conjured up. Above all else the Catholic Press should strive to come into line with the wishes of the Higher Church authorities and avoid all advocacy of still greater bloodiness in the conduct of the war, and of the employment of still sharper weapons. It is inconceivable how so many newspapers, which lay stress on representing Catholic opinion, should, for example, join in the agitatory propaganda against the Chancellor in consequence of his milder attitude regarding the employment of submarines."

Medical Supplies for Germany.

Washington, July 19.—Earl Grey of Falladen has sent a Note to the American Red Cross, refusing the request to send medical requirements to Germany and Austria. The Note denies the assertion that the blockade of the Allies is contrary to the Convention of Geneva, which—Earl Grey says—has always been scrupulously observed by Great Britain. There is, he goes on to say, no reason to believe there is a lack of Red Cross material in Germany and Austria-Hungary, but every reason to believe the contrary. If there is any shortage, it can only be the result of the fact that the Central Powers preferred to devote the materials in question to other purposes, and all steps to secure to them fresh supplies would not lead to an increased well-being of the sick and wounded, but merely to an increase in the stocks available for purposes of war. The British Government is not inclined, therefore, to create such an entirely new precedent in this respect as that suggested by the American Red Cross Society.

give is to consider very carefully whether more could not be done for the Territorials and other troops especially for those in hospital.—Ex.

Repairs**Repainting****Reupholstering**

Siam Motor Works Ltd.

Tyres**Best makes only****Motor Car Accessories****HAND MASSAGE.**

An ingeniously made massage ready for use at any moment. Come and see it at our shop.

Prices.**Tos. 7 First quality****" 5 Second "****S. IKESAKI, Tapan Mon.**

Phathanakorn Cinematograph.

Is Presenting An Exceptional Programme.
In the Second Show at 9.15 p.m. Sharp.
A GOLD ROOSTER PLAY
In 5 Acts **Little Mary Sunshine** In 5 Acts
A heart-interest story of unusual merit.
The Best Film Ever Brought to Bangkok.
AN ALL-BRITISH PRODUCTION
THE CHIMES
By Charles Dickens in 2 parts

Passion! He had three	Official War Gazette	Luke Lolls in
A Keystone Comedy	Latest News from the front.	Luxury
		A Pathe Comedy.

WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY

JAWARAD DISPENSARY**New Arrivals of Chemicals**

Acid Salicylace,
Acid Sulphuric,
Acid Nitric,
etc., etc., etc.

Prices on application.

Kiam Hoa Heng & Co., Limited.

Have the largest
Stock of
C. & B.
Provisions.

A VIEW AT THEIR NEW
DISPLAY WILL WELL
REPAY.

Prices Very Low.

Apply for their new
Price Lists free.

Kiam Hoa Heng & Co., Limited.
On East Bank River Menam.

Oriental Bakery.**Oriental Avenue.**

Daily supply of:—

White Bread, Large and small loaves, French rolls, dinner rolls
salztangen

Fresh Cakes, Plum, Current, Plain,
Madeira and assorted tea cakes.
Cakes of all other varieties made to order.

Rusks, Biscuits, Croustades, etc.

Economy.

With **LEA & PERRINS'** Sauce, a few drops only are necessary to give a delicious and appetizing flavour to the plainest dish.

A far larger quantity of a cheaper sauce fails to give the same satisfaction.



Observe the signature thus:—

Lea & Perrins

in white across the red label on every bottle.

The original and genuine Worcestershire.**Copperplate Printing**

**SIAM OBSERVER
SPECIALITY.**

**THE Only Printers in Siam to do
this kind of work.**

**SEND YOUR PLATES.
WE DO THE REST**

Siam Observer Electric Printing Works.

Notice.

Consignees are hereby notified that goods ex s.s. "Shirala", have arrived here per s/s "Mata Hari" on the 29.16 and will be landed at Messrs. The East Asiatic Co.'s wharf at the risk, expense and responsibility of consignees.

No claim will be entertained unless made within 10 days after final discharge of the steamer.

Goods not cleared within 3 days after final discharge of the steamer will be liable for the usual Godown-rent.

The Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation Limited.
2-4



Land For Sale.

Government landed properties as specified hereunder will be put up to public sale:

On Monday the 4th September, 1916, at 11 a.m.

1. One piece of land in Trauk Sung leading to Chareon Krung Road, Bangkok.

2. One piece of land in Trauk Wat Yuen leading to Chareon Krung Road, Talat Noi.

On Tuesday the 5th September, 1916, at 11 a.m.

3. One piece of land with two houses adjoining the Northern Railway Line, Tapan Yotse.

4. One piece of land in Trauk Wat Nauk leading to Bamrung Muang Road, Tapan Yotse.

On Wednesday the 6th September, 1916, at 11 a.m.

5. One piece of land with one wooden house and kitchen, Rang Muang Road.

6. One piece of land adjoining San Chao Siang Kong, Talat Noi.

On Thursday the 7th September, 1916, at 11 a.m.

7. One fruit garden in Bang Yai, Nonburi.

For particulars, apply to

Financial Inspection Department
Trauk Wat Muang Khae, Bangkok.
21, 22, 31 A 1-2 S

Professor Theola

THE WORLD-FAMED

MAGICIAN, MESMERIST
AND
HYPNOTIST

will give a series of performances

AT THE

Pathanalai Theatre Hall

FROM

Monday 4th to Wednesday 6th September, 1916, at 9 p.m. sharp.

Prices.

Special Seats in Box 6 Chairs Tcs. 25.00
Box of 4 Seats " 10.00
Single Seats in Box " 3.00
1st Class Chairs " 2.00
2nd " " " 1.00

Seats may be booked at:-

Hotel Europe, Bombay Restaurant,
Messrs. S. A. B. and
Siam Stamp Co., Ltd. City.
23-4 S.

Commercial Hotel.

Si-Phya Road. Telephone 133.

A Popular Hotel

Being Close to Banks

and Business Centre.

Excellent Cuisine. Terms moderate.
Billiard Room Attached.

Siam Observer

Special War Edition

Subscription Tcs. 4 per mensem.

Expanded Metal

made from best **British Steel**
various sizes and sections in Stock.

Milners' Safes

Patent fire and thief resisting.
several sizes in Stock.

Bangkok Dock Co., Ltd.

SOLE AGENTS FOR SIAM.

IN STOCK B.M.C. TO-DAY.

FISH
Dried Cod
Codros Caviare
Kippers
Haddock

Pheasants
Boiled Ham on cut
French Ham
Raw Ham
Breakfast Bacon

CHEESE
Cheddar
Gruyere
Savoie
Full Cream Gruyere
(in small tins)
English Margarine

Fresh Australian Butter
Pure Beef Dripping in 2lb Tins.

THEATRE ROYAL, DUSIT PARK

(By gracious permission of His Majesty the King.)

FRENCH SOIREE.

To-Night! To-Night!!

Commencing at 9-15 p.m.

PROGRAMME

1) Le Dieu Terme

(A play in one act)

By Gabriel Nigond

2) Le duc d'Erretchagay

Adaptation of the Earl of Claverhouse

(A farcical Comedy in 3 acts)

By Sri Ayudhya

Performed for the Benefit of FRENCH CHARITY FUNDS by French Amateurs

"KING GEORGE IV" WHISKY

THE

"Top Notch"

OF

Scotch

A HIGH CLASS

Whisky of age

and

delicate flavour



Essentially

a Club

Whisky.

Quality and

regularity

Guaranteed

STOCKED BY

HARRY A. BADMAN & Co.,

THE ORIENTAL STORE, KIAM HOA HENG,
YONG LEE SENG, NAI LERT, Etc.

TRY IT AT "THE HOTEL"

Barrow, Brown & Co.

Sole Agents.

THE

Great War.

King Constantine.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 1.

Mr. G. Ward Price, the Times correspondent in Salonika, reports that it is rumoured that King Constantine has fled to Larissa, where an escort of 300 Uhlans were awaiting him.

British Report.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 1.

General Haig's Communique.—We discharged gas over a broad front near Arras and Armentiers with good results.

Russians Cross into Rumania.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 1.

A Bucharest official communique dated August 29 says that the Russians continue to cross into Dobrudja and are being received with enthusiasm.

The Western Front.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Aug. 31.

Yesterday and to-day inclement weather hampered operations.

Rumanian Captures.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Aug. 31.

The Rumanians have occupied the Bulgarian town of Rutchuck.

Vienna papers announce that the Rumanians have captured Petroserny, Brassó and Kezlyasarhely foreseeing the evacuation of part of Transylvania. The first three hundred prisoners have arrived at Bucharest.

The King of Rumania has taken over the command of the army.

Von Hindenburg.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Aug. 31.

Amsterdam.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg has been nominated Chief of the General Staff replacing General Falkenhayn.

In the Carpathians.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Aug. 31.

Petrograd.—In the Carpathians we captured Rofailowa and Mount Pantyr. Russian elements have reached the Hungarian frontier.

In the Caucasus we took 333 prisoners. In the direction of Mosul we routed the enemy.

Personal.

Mr. Yates of the up-country staff of the B.B.T.C. is just now in Bangkok.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Scott and Luang Viraj Vejakhich and Mrs. Tilaka are returning to Bangkok from Hua Hin to-morrow evening.

Mr. J. C. Lyons of the Ministry of Justice, we learn, has applied for leave of absence to proceed to Europe.

Football.

The match between the Royal Pages College and the Ministry of Justice, in the third round of the competition for the Football Association's Senior Cup, will be played at Dusit Park to-morrow commencing at 4.30.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE s.s. Drufar brought 545 deck passengers from Swatow.

THE following passengers arrived by the s.s. Mata Hari this morning:—Mr. J. M. Milne, Mr. W. J. Hunter, Mr. W. G. Feiniger and Mr. V. C. Graham.

WE are asked to mention that there will be no celebration of Holy Communion at Christ Church to-morrow, owing to the indisposition of the Rev. O. R. Simmons.



Court Circular.

GRAND PALACE,
Friday, September 1.

To-day His Majesty the King honoured the Siam Electricity Company with his presence on the occasion of the opening of the new office building of the Company.

At 5.30 p.m. the King drove in a motor car to the Company's premises. On arrival His Majesty was received by Mr. W. L. Grut, Vice Chairman and Managing Director, who presented to His Majesty the following gentlemen, who are directors of the Company:—Phya Boribuan, Raja Sombati; Phya Supan Sombati; Messrs. T. A. Gottsche; G. Kluzer and E. G. Gollo.

His Majesty proceeded to the Board Room where he was graciously pleased to sign his name in the visitor's book. The King then proceeded to the Accountant's office, where Mr. Grut read an address on behalf of the Company expressing great appreciation of the honour conferred upon them. The address also referred to the progress and activities of the Company since its formation, and His Majesty was finally asked to declare the new office building open. The King was graciously pleased to make a reply, and to declare the building open.

His Majesty then proceeded to the second floor, where the King honoured the Company by taking tea, after which His Majesty witnessed a demonstration of fire drill by the Company's fire brigade in front of the Rajaburna Monastery. After the demonstration His Majesty took his departure while a salute of twenty-one rockets was fired.

Judgment in Test Case.

Judgment was delivered to-day in the case in which Messrs. A. Markwald and Co., Ltd. claimed a sum of Tcs. 6,000 from Phya Choduk, Proprietor of chop Seng Joo Thye, for breach of contract in respect of 100 bales of gunny bags which the defendant agreed to sell to the plaintiffs in September last year. It was alleged that after signing the contract defendant failed to deliver the gunnies and plaintiffs were compelled to buy gunnies elsewhere and thereby suffered a loss amounting to the above claim.

Defendant admitted having made a contract but put up a defence that owing to the provisions of the black list he was unable to get the gunnies from the Siam Forest Co., Ltd. or the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha Ltd. unless he signed a guarantee that he would not give them over to the plaintiffs or any other enemy firm. Defendant also contented that plaintiffs were not entitled to sue according to law.

The International Court in its judgment was of the opinion that as there was a clear contract the defendant was bound to that contract but as the plaintiffs had not proved any damages the Court will award plaintiffs only the nominal damages of Tcs. 10. Plaintiffs were also allowed Tcs. 200 as Court fees.

Nai Thoon appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. G. K. Wright for the defence.

We hear that an appeal will be lodged.

New Sanitary Adviser.

Says a Tokio paper under date Aug. 12.—Siam is likely to shuffle off the lethargy of the Oriental tropics in the near future, for Siam has determined to get rid of that formidable enemy of work and energy, the "hookworm," synonym for laziness. As the first step in a campaign against this pest of the southland, the Siam Government has asked the United States War Department to send to Bangkok an expert to become sanitary adviser to the powers that be in Siam.

The War Department chose Dr. R. W. Mendelson of New York, and Doctor Mendelson, accompanied by Mrs. Mendelson, arrived at Yokohama on his way to Bangkok on the Inaba Maru yesterday morning. Doctor and Mrs. Mendelson are staying at the Grand Hotel.

This is the first time that the Siam Government has called on the United States for aid in sanitary matters, although several graduates of the Harvard Law School have been called to Bangkok as legal advisers. Doctor Mendelson will organize a public health service. He said yesterday that his first big campaign would be against the "hookworm." His experience makes him especially fitted for this work, for he has waged combat against this indolence breeder in Texas and Louisiana among the negroes, who represent the greater part of the "hookworm's" victims.

PADDY REPORT FOR SEPT. 1.

Nasnan 1840 coyans at Tcs. 81/108 each	
Samruang 580 " " 75/80 "	
Namuang 110 " " 74/75 "	
Total Coyan 2590 "	

Siam Electricity Co., Limited.

Yesterday's Interesting Function.

Such a crowd that thronged the streets in the neighbourhood of the S. E. C. premises has seldom been seen at any private show of this nature. In fact owing to the limited area a sea of heads met one's vision in all directions and passage even with a strong line of Police was very difficult indeed. The great mass of the people were attracted thither from a knowledge that His Majesty would be present, and that a fire would be started and extinguished by the S. E. C. fire brigade. The occasion will be a memorable one in the annals of the S. E. C. for it marks the inauguration of an extremely elegant new office which the Company has built for itself to cope with its ever growing business.

Lt. Commander W. L. Grut, who is the fountain head of the S. E. C., was busy for several days making the necessary arrangements and ably seconded by his fellow Directors and a willing staff the new premises were very artistically set out in floral and electric decorations. From 4 p.m. onwards a stream of the guests invited by the Company to be present on the auspicious occasion began to flow in and among these we noticed T. R. H. Prince Bhanurangsri, Chakrabongse, Parachatra, Devawongse, Samsen, Naradhip, and Adisorn. Chow, Phya Yommaraj (Minister of Local Gov.), Chow Phayas Abhai Raja (Minister of Justice), Bodindra (Minister of War), Dhama Thikarana (Minister of Household) and Srivijai (Asst. Minister of Household), Phya Dhamasakdi Montri (Minister of Education). The European Community was also strongly represented. The Directorate wish it to be mentioned that it was a source of regret that many other friends could not have been asked owing to the exigencies of space.

At 5.30 p.m. His Majesty arrived and was received by Lt. Commander Grut who presented to His Majesty his fellow Directors. His Majesty was then shown over the various offices. Later the following address was read in English by Lt. Commander Grut:—

THE ADDRESS.

May it please Your Majesty,

On behalf of the Siam Electricity Company, Limited I humbly beg to thank Your Majesty for graciously bestowing on this Company the great honour of Your August Presence to inaugurate the new office building. Your Majesty's presence here to-day will be a source of great encouragement to all of us who work in this Company. It will be an incentive to make our best efforts in the provision of an efficient service both to the Government and the Public.

This new office building replaces the two old wooden houses, which hitherto served as the offices and headquarters of the Siam Electricity Company, its predecessors, and its allied concerns for the last 27 years, in the course of which time the Company has worked its way to the happy position which it occupies to-day.

The initiative to supply electric light in Bangkok appears to have originated with Nai Chalaem (now Phya Abhiraks Raja Oudhajan), who submitted his ideas to H. R. H. Prince Sanbasatra Subhakitch, with the result that the "Siam Electric Company" was formed in 1889, with the object of working a concession for the supply of electric light in Bangkok. H. R. H. Prince Sanbasatra was President of the Company, H. R. H. Prince Naradhip was Treasurer, Nai Chalaem, Managing Director and Nai Chirm (now Phya Bejr Pichai), the Secretary. The office and power station were erected on the same sites as is now occupied by the present Company. The plant was installed in 1890, but in 1893 it was taken over by the Public Works Department, and for several years light was supplied regularly between the hours from sunset to midnight. The plant, however, appears to have been run at a heavy loss, due probably to the initial difficulties inherent in electric generators and lamps of those days on account of their low efficiency. It is however of some interest to note that the original generators installed in the power station were not finally discarded till the year 1912. In 1911 during the great festivities held in celebration of Your Majesty's coronation it was necessary to work all these old engines under full load in order to cope with the heavy demand our power station was then called upon to meet. They gave remarkably good service, for during those days there did not occur a single one of those breakdowns to which at other times those old engines were susceptible.

In May 1897 the concession was transferred to Mr. L. E. Bennett, who formed what was known as the "Bangkok Electric Light Syndicate" to take over the plant under an agreement with the Royal Siamese Government. This Syndicate was again short-lived, and eventually sold its rights in 1898 to the Siam Electricity Company Limited, a Danish enterprise at the head of which was Mr. Aage Westenholz. Such was the birth of the present Company.

At the commencement of its career, the Siam Electricity Company met

with extreme financial difficulties which but for the timely support of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, might conceivably have crippled its existence. The Company did not make much progress till its amalgamation with another concern called the "Bangkok Tramway Company," which was then working under a concession granted by the Royal Siamese Government in 1887 to run a tramway line from Bangkok to the City. Originally it was operated as a horse-tram, Mr. Westenholz constructed the line and was the first Manager of the concern. (While on the subject of horse-tram, I might mention that an old woman who was employed at that time to tend the sick ponies, still comes on the 5th of each month to draw her pension at the Company's office, together with other old pensioned employees of the Company. She is now 96 years old).

With the consent of the Royal Siamese Government, this Bangkok tramway line was electrified in 1893, and the first power station was erected at Bangkok on the site at present occupied by the Menam Motor Boat Company. I beg to put it on record that it was due to the foresight of those concerned that Bangkok can boast of being the first city in the East to be served with a system of electric tramways.

The amalgamation referred to between the Siam Electricity Company and the Bangkok Tramway Company took place in 1901. At that time, the Samsen Tramway line was under construction as a separate Company, and this also became part and parcel of the Siam Electricity Company in the same way as the Bangkok line.

From this juncture onward, the financial position of the Siam Electricity Company gradually improved. The Company steadily developed, and was able to make alterations in its plant to accommodate the rapid rate of progress in applied electrical science: the outstanding feature of such alterations was a change from the single phase system to the three phase system of alternating current for light and power. New machinery was installed and the whole distributing system re-organised.

The entire work was carried out without a single serious interruption in supply of current during the 25 years which were spent to make the alteration complete.

In addition to supplying electric current and operating electric tramways, the Company has from an early period of its existence, undertaken the work of installation and repair of all kinds of electric plant and apparatus, and a fully equipped store for electrical goods has developed in connection with this enterprise.

The Company also maintains a Fire Brigade, started about the year 1900. Service in the brigade has become very popular with the employees, and apart from its admitted utility, the brigade has helped to foster a certain "esprit de corps" among the staff generally. This Fire Brigade, though voluntarily started by the Company, has since become an obligation, part passed with street watering, which the Company has undertaken in consideration of minor extensions and alterations to its tramway line sanctioned by the Royal Siamese Government in 1907. The Company is now bound to turn out at fires occurring anywhere within 300 feet of its tramlines, though, as a matter of common knowledge, the brigade always turns out on a call of fire anywhere, irrespective of the 300 feet limit. It now possesses a powerful motor fire engine which will be displayed before Your Majesty this afternoon.

Before concluding this Address, I must not omit to point out that the underlying factor of the Siam Electricity Company's progress has been the prosperity of the country itself. The Company could not have reached its present position unless the country's prosperity had been its forerunner.

The office building which I crave Your Majesty to declare open to-day has, for its primary object, the provision of an adequate and healthy accommodation for the Company's office staff. The building has been constructed with a view to avoid all risks of fire—ferro-concrete having been chosen as building material throughout. It has been the Company's endeavour to give to the building a pleasant outward appearance, in conformity with the general and natural tendency of embellishing the city.

In again thanking Your Majesty for your august presence to-day, I now pray that Your Majesty may deign to declare the new office inaugurated.

His Majesty replied in Siamese *admirabile* and we give herewith a few of the points of the Royal Speech.

His Majesty said it gave him great pleasure to accept the invitation of the Directorate of the Siam Electricity Co., Ltd. to open their new office buildings and that pleasure was intensified from the knowledge that this Company during its long career of usefulness had carried itself in conformity with local rules and regulations and had never come to any disagreement with officials. Another matter which His Majesty had pleasure in knowing was that this company had invariably employed Siamese servants and had not only treated these servants well during their period of service but had also instituted a system of pension to deserving servants who were no longer able to work. For this state of affairs all credit was due to the Company.

It was interesting to listen to the history of the success of the Company and to know that foreigners coming to

this Kingdom for business purposes were reaping fair returns for their enterprise and the investment of their capital.

His Majesty in a few words expressed the great pleasure it was to declare these buildings open.

His Majesty was then conducted to the top storey where tea was served. After His Majesty had been pleased to sign the book of visitors on this occasion Mr. Grut proceeded to explain that the building in the precincts of the Wat opposite had been specially constructed for the purpose of exhibiting to His Majesty the work of the Company's fire brigade. His Majesty was graciously pleased to press a button which soon set the building in flames. It was made as realistic when the smoke and flames began to spread, the doors were burst open by the inmates who ran out with any belongings handy for removal. The actions and exclamations of an aged female occupant were so real that very much later on in the evening when this person was entering the premises still volubly expatiating on her misfortunes, one of the Directors actually stopped her to enquire as to what was wrong. Well the fire spread fast and furious on the attap roof and the fire brigade was still not in view, so much so that on-lookers thought that the fire was bound to burn itself out before the hoses arrived. When wonderful to relate the fire pumps arrived and by concentrated action the fire was got under by gutting the building before it was half burnt out. There was then an exhibition of the power of the various hoses some of them being able to throw jets very high indeed, a guess of the height being impossible. After this was finished the fire brigade men with their brass helmets under charge of their European officers lined up along the road and when His Majesty departed by motor car and past alongside they waved their helmets and raised cheer after cheer for the Monarch who was gracious enough to come amongst them and witness their display.

A Big Land Deal.

The extensive premises of the late Rev. Dr. J. Smith of which we have heard so much regarding its probable uses by the Government as a Custom House, etc. during the past quarter of a century has at length got a new owner. The price paid was something like £50,000 or about 13 Ticals per square wah. The purchaser is said to be Phya Patani, a former Siamese-Malay official. The land has a long river frontage, but its value becomes small owing to its situation being in the shallow side of the river.

In Other Days.

Glimpses of Bangkok Twenty-Two Years Ago.

(Week Ending Sunday Sept. 2, 1894.)

Arrival.—Admiral Sir John Bush arrived on Sunday after nearly six weeks stay at his Villa in Anglin.

Tramway Shares Rising.—Despite the 6 per cent. dividend, nine shares sold yesterday at 120 Ticals each ex-dividend.

The Bangkok Dock Coy. Busy.—At the present time there are eleven launches of all sizes in course of construction at the Bangkok Dock Co. We understand that there are two new boats ordered for the Butmann line.

The New Torpedo Boat Destroyer.—At the final testing of the new Torpedo boat destroyer "Daring" she ran 33½ statute miles in an hour. No flames rose from the funnels nor were there any noises from the safety valves.

The Birthday of the Queen of the Netherlands.—Yesterday (Friday) being the anniversary of the birthday of the Queen of Netherlands, Chevalier Keun de Hoogerwoerd, Consul General for Siam, entertained several residents at dinner. The Consulate premises looked exceedingly pretty with flags and coloured lanterns.

The Oriental Hotel Follows the Hong Kong Precedent.—The following notice has a conspicuous position at the Oriental Hotel.

"On and after September 1st 1894, cash only will be accepted at the bar and billiard rooms but to approved customers books of accounts will be furnished."

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

This remedy has no superior as a cure for colds, croup and whooping cough.

It has been a favorite with the mothers of young children for almost forty years.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant to take.

It not only cures colds and grip, but prevents their resulting in pneumonia. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a child as to an adult. For sale by the British Dispensary.

CHUBB'S SAFES

Always in Stock.

Catalogues and full particulars from

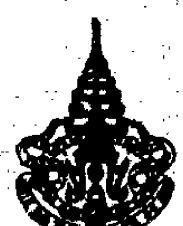
The Siam Forest Co., Ltd.

Import Office.

Bush Lane.



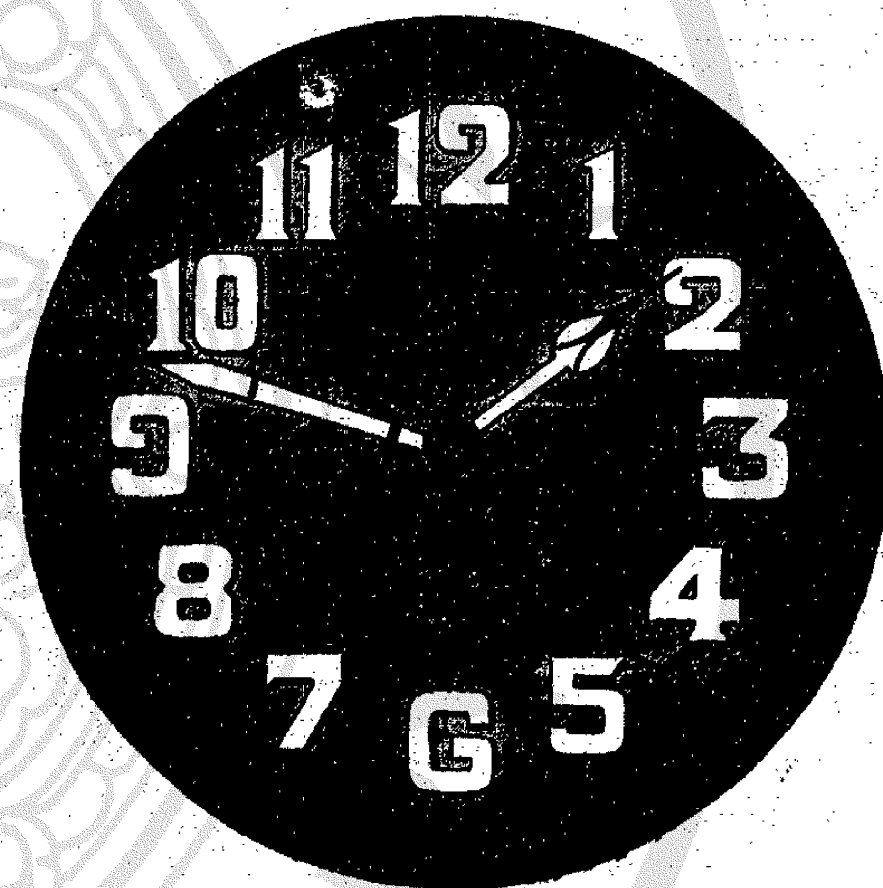
H. M. THE KING



H. M. THE QUEEN-MOTHER

S. A. B.
(Société Anonyme Belg.)

WATCHMAKERS
AND JEWELLERS TO



We can now undertake to change any pocket or wristlet-watch into watches with luminous figures and hands. The luminosity is believed to be absolutely permanent.

FOR SALE.

400 Gal. Ferro Concrete Water Tanks.

APPLY TO

The Siam Cement Co. Ltd., Bangsue.

18-17 O.

Church Services.

Assumption Church.

Sept. the 3rd. 12th Sunday after Pentecost.
5.30 a.m. 1st Mass.
6.10 a.m. 2nd Mass for the Native Community.
8 a.m. 3rd and last Mass for the Foreign Community.
4 p.m. Rosary, Instruction, 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 Seven Dolours of Our Lady.

Christ Church.

Service for 11th. Sunday after Trinity.
Early Celebration at 8 a.m.
Evensong at 6 p.m.
Processional } Praise, my soul, the Hymn } King of Heaven.
Psalms: 15 Chant Foster in C.
16 Chant Bridge in C.
Magnificat }
and } Read's Service in C.
Nunc Dimittis }
Hymns: My God, how wonderful Thou art. Not for our sins alone.
The sun is sinking fast.
Vesper: With Thy Benediction.

S. Mary's Mission.

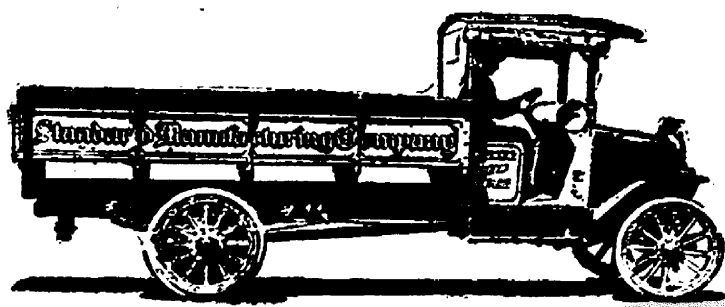
Sunday, Sept. 3.—11th. Sunday after Trinity.
9 a.m.—Matins and Sermon.
Hymns: Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost. Heavenly Father, send Thy blessing. O Jesu, Thou art standing.
4 p.m.—Sunday School.
Wednesday, Sep. 6.
6.30 p.m.—Devotional Service for Communicants' Guild.

Telegraph Lines.

The Post and Telegraph Department reports that Chiengmai line is interrupted between Railway department and Bangkok. Other lines are in good order.

Advertisers are kindly requested to send in changes of advertisements before 11 a.m. of the day they intend the advertisement to appear. Should any advertisement arrive after that hour the same will be held over for the next day.

DENBY



- MOTOR - - TRUCKS. -

The finest value ever offered in Commercial Vehicles.

One and two Tonners Just Arrived.

Siam Import Co., Ltd.

Sikak Phya Sri-City.

The Super Zeppelin.

The following article by Mr. R. P. Hearne comes remarkably apropos of Lord Montagu of Beaulieu's declaration :-

Details from German or neutral sources concerning new Zeppelins must be regarded with suspicion. Almost invariably they betray exaggerations in essential particulars which shake one's confidence in the information as a whole. But a Swiss technical journal has lately published a report from a correspondent who witnessed the trials of a new "Ueber-Zeppelin" over Lake Constance, and there is good reason to believe that the information is tolerably accurate, and compiled by a man who understands his subject.

The dimensions of the new super Zeppelin are remarkable, but at the same time there is nothing impossible about them. They are stated to be in round figures :-

Length	700 feet.
Volume	1,500,000 cubic feet.
Total lift	40 tons.
Engines	1,200-h.p.

Maximum speed 70 miles per hour. Climbing height 12,000 feet. This gigantic vessel is nearly 200ft. longer than the ordinary Zeppelin. It has treble the horse-power, and its total weight is nearly twice as great as the types familiar to us.

Shell-Firing Guns.

We are not told what the net lift or effective load capacity of the vessel is, but it is stated that the new Zeppelin carries on her two upper platforms shell-firing guns as well as machine-guns, whilst her load of high explosive and incendiary bombs must be at least twice as great as that of the older vessels. Possibly the bomb load would be about four tons.

Four armoured gondolas are fitted, the first being close up to the bow of the ship. The arrangement of the propellers and sheering gear has been radically altered, and the most marvellous thing about the new ship, apart from its immense size, is the rapidity with which it can manoeuvre in every direction.

The importance of quick manoeuvring need not be emphasised, for it is one of the chief factors making for safety when attacked by gunfire or aeroplanes. If it be true that the new super Zeppelin can rise to a height of 12,000 ft., and if it can dive, or rise, or swing from one side to the other with great agility, it will prove a very elusive target for guns at night.

Talk of "Surprises."

The alleged war equipment of the new super-Zeppelin is elaborate enough to satisfy the most ghoulish German. There are shell-firing guns, machine guns on the upper platforms, and in

the gondolas torpedoes, high explosive bombs of various calibres, incendiary bombs, and illuminating shells. And it is hinted that there are other surprises which cannot be mentioned.

This great Zeppelin is in itself a gigantic projectile, 700 feet long, and capable of being shot hundreds of miles across the North Sea at a specified target. With its million and a half cubic feet of highly inflammable and explosive hydrogen gas, its tons of explosives, and its great tanks of petrol, it is a monster capable of doing vast damage by its fall. Fortunately it is such a highly expensive projectile that even the Germans cannot afford to make war by dropping Zeppelins upon us.

Range of Action.

Employed "legitimately" as an adjunct to the fleet, it is evident that the new Zeppelin should be of very considerable assistance to the German navy. Its greater speed, range of action, and climbing power must increase its utility to a degree not easily realised by navies which are without similar airships.

For us the most important consideration is that if the new ship has a range of action of 1,200 miles (which is quite feasible with her great lifting power), we must be prepared for super-Zeppelins operating at no remote date in the Atlantic, off Land's End and the Irish coast, for instance. If these ships carry shell-firing guns, they will be able to attack merchant shipping, and even submarines, with far greater measure of success than when they relied solely upon dropping bombs.

It may be open to question whether the Germans have yet perfected the airship gun, for the problem is a most difficult one; but the moment they arrive at a practicable weapon of this type the Zeppelin will have a new power. Hovering silently at a height of 12,000 feet, it can fire shells with considerable accuracy on a target some miles away.

Let us hope that Germany will be beaten on land before she can apply these new forms of aerial warfare. But in the meantime let us be prepared against them.—Ex.

CHRONIC DIARRHOEA.

Are you subject to attacks of diarrhoea? Keep absolutely quiet for a few days, rest in bed if possible, be careful of your diet and take Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This medicine has cured cases of chronic diarrhoea that physicians have failed on, and it will cure you. For sale by the British Dispensary.

BUCHANAN'S

Scotch Whiskies



A GRAND SPIRIT

"BLACK & WHITE"

AND

"RED SEAL"

Buchanan's

Whiskies.

Proprietors of the following well-known Brands

"RED SEAL"

"BLACK & WHITE"

"ROYAL HOUSEHOLD"

Sole Agents:

The Borneo Company, Ltd.

Patriotism in Finance.**How Britain is Paying for the War.**

In the "New York Nation" of June 29th there appears an interesting article on "How Britain Finances the War," in which the writer pays a high tribute to the spirit in which Great Britain has met the crisis.

"It is only in the role of her Navy," says the writer, "that Britain plays a unique part among the nations in the great war. The story of her finances and especially of the policy of taxation which has gone along with her immense expenditure, is one of the most remarkable developments of the great conflict. The way in which successive increases in taxation have been received by the country bears the most eloquent possible testimony to the unflinching loyalty of the nation."

The article concludes with an expression of "profound respect for the spirit in which the prosperous classes of Britain have met a duty less inspiring, but no less exacting, than that of facing the enemy in the field—the duty of clear-eyed and willing submission to the fiscal demands of their gigantic warfare."

America and the War.

Washington.—Domestic political considerations making it important that President Wilson shall be able to claim that he was instrumental in bringing about peace, there are renewed intimations in semi-official quarters that the President will seize the first opportunity to offer his services as mediator, or in any other capacity, to the belligerents. Even if the negotiations should be merely preliminary, if undertaken before the Presidential election in November, they would be of great political importance to the President in his candidature for re-election. Mr. Wilson's strongest hold on the country is the fact that he has been able to keep the United States from becoming involved in the European War, and also in having prevented hostilities with Mexico. If he can maintain this pacific policy until the November election, and in addition should become the channel of communication by which the belligerents begin the consideration of peace terms, his re-election would be practically conceded.

Men close to the President say that the opportunity for action may soon present itself, as the great offensive of the Allies must convince Germany of the impossibility of victory, and when that fact is driven home she will turn to

the President to use his friendly offices with the Allies. The American Ambassadors in Europe have been instructed to watch the situation closely, so as to advise the President of the first indication of any belligerent being willing to consider the question of the discussion of peace. It is said that the report of President Wilson's pacific intentions is only another of the political trial balloons that have been sent up periodically for almost two years. That the President is anxious to be the medium of peace is easy enough to understand, for he has already mentioned, but there is reason to believe it has been intimated to him in a way he cannot disregard that if he has any peace terms to make they must come from Germany, who must be prepared to comply with full demands of the Allies, but that offers to the Allies to convey suggestions to Germany will not be welcomed either in London, Paris, or Petrograd.

Daring But Ill-Fated Expedition.

The "Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" publishes an interesting story of the adventures of the German Naval Captain von Moller, who at the outbreak of war was Commander of the gunboat "Tachtingen," then laid up in the port of Canton. Von Moller made his way to Java, where he was interned at Sourabaya by the Dutch Government. With the aid of a number of Germans residing in that city he succeeded in equipping a superannuated schooner, which he christened "Weddigen," and by means of which he hoped to reach the Far East in the company of five reservists, who had been surprised by the war in Netherlands India.

Despite almost insurmountable difficulties, they succeeded in reaching the open sea in December, 1915, and shaped their course for Arabia. After having passed through the notorious Mauritius storms, they reached the Arabian coast on March 3, south of Aden, whence they proceeded on their journey overland on mules, until they reached Sana, the Capital of the Yemen. From Sana they went by boat to Koufala, on the Red Sea, and thence on camels to Jeddah, where they arrived on May 16.

The Commander of the Turkish troops pointed out to the travellers the dangers of the rest of the trip, but von Moller went on his way nevertheless. All that was afterwards heard of him was a wire sent on June 3rd by the Syrian army corps to the effect that Captain von Moller and his party had been murdered by Arabs.

The "Three Castles" Cigarettes

W.D. & H.O. WILLS, BRISTOL & LONDON

Manufactured from the FINEST MATURED VIRGINIA LEAF, and therefore a delight to the heavy smoker without the slightest fear of any disagreeable after effects.

SAVE THE COUPONS.
THEY ARE VALUABLE.

Phathanarom Cinema.**To-Night!****To-Night!!****The "Lord Piccadilly" Series**

In Fifteen Reels Produced by Lubin Co.

No. 1 "An American Heiress" No. 2 "Partner of Providence" No. 3 "The Girl from the West" No. 4 "The Golden Hope" No. 5 "The Hold up"

THE ECLAIR FILM CO. PRESENTS.

The Mystery of the Pepper-box Inn

The Greatest Detective Drama in 3 parts.

SUPPORTED BY FIRST RATE DRAMA AND COMEDIES.

Quiet Little Wedding. How She Reformed Him.
The Wayward Daughter. Oil and Water.**Paknam Railway Company Limited.**

TIME TABLE.

PAKNAM—BANGKOK.					BANGKOK—PAKNAM				
Stations.	Train No.				Stations.	Train No.			
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Paknam	Dep. 6.30	9.30	12.45	3.45	Bangkok	Dep. 7.45	10.45	2.00	5.00
*Maha Wong	" 6.35	9.35	12.50	3.50	Sala Deng	" 7.52	10.52	2.07	5.07
*Ban Nang	" 6.40	9.40	12.55	3.55	Klong Toi	" 8.00	11.00	2.15	5.15
Greng	" 6.45	9.45	1.00	4.00	*Ban Kluei	" 8.05	11.05	2.20	5.20
Chorakhe	" 6.50	9.50	1.05	4.05	Prakonong	" 8.10	11.10	2.25	5.25
*Samrong	" 6.55	9.55	1.10	4.10	Bangrak	" 8.15	11.15	2.30	5.30
Bangna	" 7.00	10.00	1.15	4.15	*Bangna	" 8.20	11.20	2.35	5.35
Bangrak	" 7.05	10.05	1.20	4.20	Samrong	" 8.25	11.25	2.40	5.40
*Prakonong	" 7.10	10.10	1.25	4.25	Chorakhe	" 8.30	11.30	2.45	5.45
*Ban Kluei	" 7.15	10.15	1.30	4.30	*Ban Nang	" 8.35	11.35	2.50	5.50
Klong Toi	" 7.20	10.20	1.35	4.35	Greng	" 8.40	11.40	2.55	5.55
Sala Deng	" 7.25	10.25	1.40	4.40	*Maha Wong	" 8.45	11.45	3.00	6.00
Bangkok	Arr. 7.30	10.30	1.45	4.45	Paknam	Arr. 8.45	11.45	3.00	6.00

*Trains stop only at the request of passengers.

Trains may leave intermediate stations 5 minutes before the stated time

To Let.

Buildings & yard in Unakarn Road to let—Main Building 18x12 metres suitable for Carpenter's Shop, godown or could be adapted for Cinema Theatre.

Apply: "A. B."
c/o "Siam Observer"
t.f.n

Of Importance**To Sportsmen.**

We have just unpacked
a consignment of:—

The Latest Style

Suspensory Bandages

Specially imported for the
use of Sportsmen.

This Consignment also includes
**Soaps, Perfumes,
Toilet Requisites &c.**

of the best Quality.

Harrogate Aperient Water,
An aperient better than
Aperient Water.

THE APOTHECARIES' HALL.

Fresh arrival of**Danish****Dutch****Manila Cigars****Egyptian Cigarettes****Tobaccos****Nai Lert Store.****BRISCOE CARS**

European design at an American price

THE CAR OF DISTINCTION

GRACEFUL APPEARANCE — COMFORTABLE
ECONOMICAL ON TYRES AND BENZINE.

In Stock at The Sole Agents

The Bangkok Dock Co., Ltd.**FINEST American Linen Writing Paper in different grades.****FOOLSCAP SIZE (OFFICIAL)**

Strathmore Parchment 8 1/2 x 13 Tcs.	4-05	Per Ream
Fairfield First Quality " "	5-00	"
" " " " " "	3-50	"
" " " " " "	4-10	"
Tekoa Linen Bond " "	2-75	"

OCTAVO SIZE (For Mercantile Work).

Strathmore Parchment 8 1/2 x 11 Tcs.	3-50	Per Ream
Fairfield First Quality " "	4-20	"
" " " " " "	3-00	"
Tekoa Linen Bond " "	3-60	"
" " " " " "	2-10	"
Certificate Bond " "	2-50	"
" " " " " "	1-75	"
" " " " " "	2-00	"

PRINTING PAPER.

News, Ledger, Bank, Foolscap and Linen paper of every
description and sizes. Prices on application.

"SIAM OBSERVER"

STATIONERY STORE.

