



THE BEAUTIFUL CITY OF LOUVAIN, DESTROYED BY THE GERMANS

A view of the Town Hall at Louvain, Belgium. This lovely city was utterly destroyed by the Germans in reprisal for the shooting of some German soldiers by civilians. Buildings centuries old, filled with priceless relics of antiquity, were levelled to the ground by these modern Goths and vandals. Six hundred years ago this city, with its population of 50,000, was the most important industrial centre in this part of Europe. Enormous quantities of woollen and linen cloth were woven here and exported to all parts of Europe. In 1378 there was a riot in this square and thirteen magistrates of noble family were killed. The building shown here was, when erected, practically a huge illustrated Bible and town history spread open to the eyes of all the people before there were any printed books.

Young Folks

Jack and the Lily

It was a lovely lily, everyone said so. One tall slender stem crowned by three of the most perfect blossoms.

Mrs. Elwin was very proud of it. "I think that if it does not take a prize at the flower show, Thomas, it will at least be highly commended," she said to her gardener one day.

Jack stood by his mother's side listening. He reached out one chubby hand and clasped it about the lily's stem.

"Don't touch it, my boy," said his mother quickly; "it is very tender, and a rough pull would snap it off."

Three days passed away. It was the evening before the flower show, and Jack was in the garden by himself. "I will just go and look at the lily," he thought. It had now come to perfection, never were such huge snow-white petals seen before. As the little boy looked a great wish seized him to draw it closer. He clasped his fingers about the pale green stalk, and drew it towards him. Ah! it was almost on a level with his face, when crack went the slender stem and the beautiful proud lily could hold its head erect no longer. The little boy's face went all crimson, and tears rushed into his great honest blue eyes.

"Run away, run away, before anyone sees you," something whispered, "Mother will think a dog came into the garden and brushed past it."

"No, no, no, for it would not be true!" cried little Jack, and he ran indoors as fast as his short, sturdy legs would carry him.

Mother looked up with a smile as he entered the room. Then she held out her arms and said: "Come here and tell me what is the matter, sonny?"

"Oh, mother, mother," sobbed the little boy with his curly head on her shoulder. "I have been very, very naughty. I touched the lily and it is broken. Oh, mother,

please forgive me, but punish me first if you like."

Mother smiled. It was such an absurd ending to his speech, and she never had whipped Jack in all the five years of his life. "There, there, darling," she said, patting his curly head, "let us go and look at the lily. Perhaps it is not so bad after all."

Nor was it. The stem had snapped just in the right place, mother said, exactly where she had intended to cut it.

And, O joy! the lily took the prize at the flower show after all. But mother said as she kissed Jack's little sunshiny face the night after the flower show there was something she valued far more than the prize, and that was a little son who was brave enough to speak the truth.

BATTLE AT SPITHEAD.

Henry VIII. Watched Attack of French Fleet in 1545.

Actual naval warfare has been witnessed by a King of England at Spithead. In July, 1545, Henry VIII. watched from Southsea Castle the attack by the French fleet upon the English fleet which was to have gone against the French shores. The two days of skirmishing had no decisive result, but the English fleet suffered one great loss. The Mary Rose, the pride of the navy, a four-castled 60-gun ship of 600 tons, overweighted by her ordnance, suddenly heeled over at Spithead, in consequence, says Raleigh, of "a little sway in casting the ship about her ports being within 16 inches of the water." Some 600 men went down with her—about 100 fewer than those lost with the Royal George 237 years later.—London Chronicle.

Army Dogs Well Trained.

In Germany the dog has his place as a part of the nation's regular fighting force. There is a regular dog force composed almost entirely of Spitzes and Pomeranians, for service in time of war. The canines are trained to distinguish between German and foreign soldiers; to give warning of the approach of enemy or friend, to seek out wounded soldiers and to take water to them.

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His Past Record.

Political Candidate—Well, did you discover anything in stump's past life that we can use against him?

Detective—Not a thing. All he ever did before he came here was to sell awnings.

Political Boss—Why, that's just what we want. We'll say that he has been mixed up in some decidedly shady transactions.

Kind words and bald heads never dye.

SHOCK OF EUROPEAN WAR

WILL BE FELT IN DISTANT CORNERS OF THE EARTH.

Contending Powers Have Interests In All Parts of the World.

When Europe goes to war the fate of millions of square miles of territory and of tens of millions of men, women and children outside of Europe are involved in the conflict. Not one of the five continents and not one of the seven seas but has a stake in the continental struggle. Vast armies are massed in Europe, but little dots of islands in the centre of the Pacific, great tracts of territory in what used to be called the Dark Continent, and wedges of concessions that have often been driven into the enormous coast lines of China are all to be disposed of according to the outcome of the battles that are to be fought thousands of miles away from them.

A bare enumeration of the territories whose destinies are now being settled by the war takes one all over the globe, now under the flag of one country and again under that of another. Every continental country has been for years hustling for colonies, and these colonies now make one of the chief prizes of the present conflict.

Bokhara and Khiva.

Russia, in the two protectorates over Bokhara and Khiva, controls 107,000 square miles of land and 1,896,000 people, not included within the Russian Empire. Finland, for purposes of distribution, is held to be a part of Russia.

Belgium controls the Belgian Congo, containing 909,000 square miles and 15,000,000 of Bentus.

Italy controls Eritrea on the Red Sea, Tripoli and Cyrenaica, and part of Somaliland. The first mentioned has an area of 45,800 square miles, an eighth larger than Ohio, with a population of 450,000; Somaliland has an area of 39,430 and a population of 400,000 natives. Tripoli and Cyrenaica have an area of 408,000 square miles and a population estimated at 523,176. In addition, Italy has a small concession at Tientsin, China, with a population of 17,000 not carried in the grand totals of lands and peoples subject to parcelling by the Peace Congress.

Germany, which, according to reports, has already lost Togoland on the West Coast of Africa, to a combined force of British and French colonials, in the Kamerun protectorate German Southwest Africa and German East Africa, has 981,460 square miles, with a white population of 22,405 and a native population of 11,406,024. German East Africa is the prize, containing as it does an area of 384,810 square miles and a population of 7,645,770. German Southwest Africa has an area of 2,245 square miles, and a population of whites of 14,833, and a native population of 79,556.

In Asia her jewels consist of Kiauchau, acquired in 1897, with an area of only 200 square miles, but a population of 168,000. That is the seat of the Eastern Empire the Kaiser hoped to establish on the ruins of China.

In the Pacific Ocean

Germany has as large a collection of islands, numerically speaking, as the United States, including the new Guinea, Marshall, Solomon and Caroline Islands and part of Samoa, in which the United States also has an interest.

France overseas has possessions putting her away ahead of all those engaged in the war other than Great Britain. She regards Algeria and Tunis, in North Africa, particularly the former, as part of France. Tunis is attached to the ministry of foreign affairs, while

other colonies, created as a department of the government in 1894.

French colonies have a large measure of self-government. The older ones, such as Reunion, Martinique and Guadeloupe, have representation in the French Parliament. Each of those mentioned has a senator and two deputies. French India (Pondicherry), for many years the football between the Dutch, the French and the English from the middle of the 17th to the beginning of the 19th centuries, has a senator and one deputy in the Parliament, while Senegal, Guiana and Cochinchina have each a deputy.

Are Represented by Senators.

The other colonies are represented in the Conseil Supérieur des Colonies, consisting of senators and deputies from colonies, delegates from those not represented in Parliament and persons especially appointed to that assembly for considering colonial affairs.

The possessions in Asia have a total area of 310,176 miles and population of 10,773,300. In Africa the area is 4,184,401, with a population of 25,681,263. In America the area is 35,162 and a population of 446,720, chief of which is French Guiana with an area of 34,000.

St. Pierre and Miquelon on the Newfoundland coast, have an area of only 96 square miles, almost equal to the original District of Columbia, with a population of 423. The island of Martinique came into notice in 1902 on account of the eruption of Mt. Pelee, the volcano constituting the northern point of the island, which resulted in the destruction of the city of St. Pierre and the loss of about 25,000 lives.

In the Pacific ocean the French republic controls New Caledonia and Tahiti, with an area of 7,200 and a population of 50,500.

British Possessions Hugs.

The British colonial possessions are the whole of the Australia continent, Canada, the former Boer Republic, Somaliland, Beuchunaland, India, Victoria Islands off the coast of China, Harbor of Weihaiwei, the Federated Malay States in the Malay Peninsula, and part of Borneo and New Zealand.

In the West Indies her possessions are the islands of St. Vincent, St. Lucia, Barbados, Trinidad, constituting the eastern boundary of the Caribbean Sea. North of that chain of islands is Nassau and Bermuda, off the coast of Florida. Then there is British Honduras and British Guiana.

In the Pacific she has more than an equal division in the small islands in what is generally known as Oceania. Her protectorates over Egypt and her ownership of the island of Malta, and the stronghold of Gibraltar, together with the Suez Canal and defences to its entrance, constitute the most valuable part of her possessions between the home island and the empire of India.

Reason Enough.

The Young Bride—I didn't accept Jim the first time he proposed.

Miss Ryval (slightly envious)—I know you didn't, dear.

The Young Bride—How do you know?

Miss Ryval—You weren't there.

And one good action is worth more than a hundred good intentions.

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