WHEN THE WORLD WEPT

MILLIONS HAVE BEEN PLUNGED INTO MOURNING.

Russia Thrown Back for Centuries — Germany's Abandoned Coronation.

Russia has been called the "Country of National Disappointments," and the title is not an inappropriate one. Early in October, 1880, it became known to the initiated that the Tsar Alexander II. had sanctioned a sweeping series of reforms, which would, when fully carried out, raise the empire at a single bound to a foremost place among the most enlightened of the world's free peoples. Some minor details only remained to be settled, and by March 10th, 1881, the new constitution, which provided among other things for a legislative assembly to be elected by popular vote and for a free press, was ready for signature and promulgation. The Tsar, however, deferred affixing his name to the document for a week, in order that facsimile copies might be prepared for dispatch to the various governors of provinces; and before the week had expired he was brutally murdered by emissaries of the Nihilist association.

Thus, when on the very eve of obtaining all that the best and bravest of her sons had been striving for generations, was the unhappy country thrust back, in an instant, and through no fault of her own, into the paths of reaction and of ultimate stagnation.

RUSSIA'S DESPAIR.

The reign of the present Tsar and Tsarina, again, has been one long disappointment to the Russian people. Fate, croak the prophets, pessimistically, is against the Royal couple. At their coronation, it will be remembered, a shocking accident cast a gloom over what would have been, under auspicious circumstances, one of the most brilliant spectacles of modern times.

A gigantic open-air banquet was to have been given to a multitude of His Majesty's poorer subjects, but the crowds got out of hand, broke down the barriers, and more than a thousand of them were crushed to death in the struggle which ensued.

Afterwards, and now, it was and is the lack of an heir male to their Emperor and Empress, which weighs most heavily on the spirits of a sensitive and superstitious people. No one who has not traveled within the confines of the Tsar's dominions can understand the extraordinary hold this matter has taken upon the Russian people. When, in 1895, the Tsarina gave birth to little Olga, the nation was only mildly disappointed; but acutely so when a second baby girl put in an appearance eighteen months later; and when, in 1899, yet a third girl child was announced, something very like despair settled upon the land.

GERMANY'S DISAPPOINTMENT.

Last summer, when Her Majesty was again brought to bed, hope revived, and thousands and thousands of bonfires were prepared. Not one was lighted, however, for, for the fourth time running the baby proved to be of the female variety.

Germany has had to undergo more than one bitter disappointment in the course of her short but eventful career as a full-fledged empire, but none probably did she feel more keenly than that incidental to the untimely death of the Emperor Frederick III. True he had been seriously ill prior to ascending the throne, but Sir Morell Mackenzie had pronounced him cured, and his subjects were looking forward with gusto to his coronation, when, on June 12th, 1888, he was stricken down with malignant cancer of the throat, and three days later he was dead.

FRANCE'S BITTER PILL.

With the withdrawal of Major Marchand from Fashoda, vanished forever her dream of a great Central Africa Empire, stretching from the Atlantic right across the Continent to the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean. To Frenchmen this was probably an even bitterer disappointment than would have been to Englishmen the loss of say, Gibraltar, or Newfoundland. No wonder there were rumors of war on the one side, and the hurried commissioning of flying squadrons on the other.

Italy was even harder hit over the projected expansion of her Central African possessions. Briefly, she aimed at extending inwards her Red Sea colony of Erythrea so as to include absolutely within her own dominions the rich and fertile Abyssinian province of Tigre, and she also proclaimed a protectorate over the rest of Abyssinia.

SPAIN'S NATIONAL GRIEF.

In this, of course, she was only copying our own method of procedure in Africa, Asia, and elsewhere. But her rulers forgot that Italy is not Britain, and that Italians are not quite the same sort of stuff as are Anglo-Saxons. Even while Rome was in the act of rejoicing over what she believed was the beginning of a successful system of colonial expansion, which, in the near future, should give her in Africa an over-sea empire such as England has in India, came the terrible news of the disaster of Adowa.

The flower of the Italian army had gone down before the fierce onslaught of Menelik's wild warriors; and with it had also gone down, like a child's house of cards, the half-formed, half-dreamt-of empire in question. Rome crowded into the theatres that night as is the wont of the Latin races; but the disappointment was none the less keen because it was masked by gaiety.

Nevertheless, the loss of the Tigre province did not eat into Italy's vitals and canker there, as did the surrender of Cuba and the Philippines in the case of Spain. In all modern history has no more bitter pill been forced down the reluctant throat of a proud, and once great nation, than that which was administered by the United States to this latter country in 1898.

That Spain's ultimate defeat was patent to all the world save Spain, did not make the disappointment of the Spanish people less keen. Rather, in fact, did it accentuate it. To the last the Spanish ruling classes deceived the masses; so that, incredible though it may seem, it is, nevertheless, a fact that the common people never, until the last moment, entertained a doubt but that the war would result, not only in the total overthrow of the United States, but in the eventual re-establishment of Spain's authority over the whole of the North and South American Continents.

Ragged clothes quickly—that's what common soaps with "premiums" cost; but

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HOW THEY EXIST.

Remittance Men in Australia Are a Shiftless Set.

The dipsomaniac remittance men, though an utterly wastrel class, are a degree less abandoned and profligate, consequently a degree more noteworthy than their brethren of the rogue, bankrupt, etc., order. For one reason they are never to be found in the larger towns and cities. As if following an inexorable natural law, within a month of their arrival in Australia they gravitate toward the interior of the continent, and, scattered widely over the vast bush, are to be met with in every little town and village, on every station, in almost every stockman's and shepherd's hut, either as listless "sundowners," wandering "swaggies," stockmen, station hands, bush-carpenters, grooms, stable hands, roustabouts, or station cooks, says the London Mail.

When their remittance arrives they spend a glorious week in some wayside or village public house, assiduously drinking from morning until far into each night, never drunk — it is impossible to make a "dipso" drunk—dreaming wonderful beer-inspired visions of delight, but eating not at all. When their last penny is expended the publican, who—parasite that he is—knows and likes the class, gives them gratis a flask of rum or whisky, and they wander disconsolately off. Their whole ambition, then, is to exist with as little effort as possible until their next remittance arrives, and then another glorious — save the mark! — "booze."

But to exist—that is the problem. The majority trudge wearily from station to station with blanket and billy, not seeking work—they loathe work—but begging just enough tea and flour to keep body and soul together. The pity is that their begging appeals are seldom, if ever, refused. So they live. Some, however, fearing the privations of a tramp's life, seek employment. These are men who can ride, who understand horses, who can handle an ax, or who can cook. Employment is given them from charity, clothes and rations, too, but they are paid no wages, for it is known that their services, such as they are, can never be relied on. If the remittance man can get hold of a shilling he will walk twenty, nay, if necessary, fifty, miles in order to spend it in drink.

A BOY SOLDIER.

A unique instance of an English lad taking part in the late war was mentioned at the prize distribution at Cheltenham College recently. The principal said that one of their present scholars, a boy named Griffiths, not yet thirteen years of age, had served in the war and won a couple of medals.

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They had been married but two months, and they still loved each other devotedly. He was in the back yard blacking his boots. "Jack!" she called, at the top of her voice. "Jack, come here, quick!" He knew at once that she was in danger. He grasped a stick and rushed up two flights of stairs to the rescue. He entered the room breathlessly, and found her looking out of the window. "Look!" said she. "That's the kind of bonnet I want you to buy me."

Gibbs—"It's no use arguing, my dear, I am going to give up our pew in church. I can't stand that new preacher any longer." Wife—"But, John——" Gibbs—"But nothing, Maria. I haven't slept a wink for the last three Sunday mornings."

THE POSTMASTER.

OLD GENTLEMAN'S NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

A Very Interesting Personal Experience Which Contains Some Good Advice for Others Whose Lives May Be Threatened.

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