

THE MEANING OF THE REVOLUTION

GROWTH OF THE SPIRIT OF DEMOCRACY IN RUSSIA.

Russian Army and Russian People Have One Single Aim, Winning Of the War.

The Duma has been greatly responsible for the growth of a spirit of democracy in Russia, for although the first Dumas did not accomplish much enjoyed the right of free speech and the newspapers reported what was said in the Duma, whereas they were prohibited from reporting public events made outside the Duma, writes Mr. Riddle, formerly American ambassador to Russia.

There never has been much manifestation of public opinion in Russia because the mass of Russian peasants have no opinion to express, so far as foreign politics or national government is concerned.

The spirit of nationalism and a feeling of sympathy for all Slavs has been the one subject which has brought forth a manifestation of feeling on the part of the Russian masses, who are their "Little Brothers," the Slavs who have been, or still are, under Turkish or other foreign domination. It was this spirit which brought about the year of 1877 with Turkey.

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There have always been many persons about the Russian court who have been strongly pro-German. The court, that is, the family of the Czar, has always had strong pro-German sympathies. Although France has been Russia's natural political ally the court has always shown more interest in German institutions than for French.

A minor incident illustrates this feeling. On the birthday of the Kaiser, January 27, and the birthday of the late Emperor of Austria, August 20, the Czar always gave a banquet to the Teutonic embassies, drank the health of the rulers and extended every courtesy to their representatives. But he did not pay any attention to July 14, the French national day.

Probably he considered Germany to be the principles of authority and autocracy, while France stood for democracy.

It is true that since the Japanese there has been certain development of the democratic idea in Russia, but I do not think the people will want to do away with the throne. They want to rid the government of some of the pernicious growths and blemishes that have adhered to it.

Russians always have enjoyed a deal of democracy in their local government. The Zemstvos, which are chosen by the people, and their voice supreme in matters of local government. In the present war the Zemstvos have been active in the forwarding of supplies and other military stores and have enjoyed the full support of the people.

The Russian government always has been patriarchal, and the peasant is being let to take care of national interests.

Amid to Fight War to Finish. Although the Russian army and people have not always been one in past; they are at the present time one have one, single purpose, and that is the winning of the war, which means the liberation of Slavs from under foreign domination.

There has been sporadic revolutions in Russia since 1825, and it is said Alexander II. had a constitution to sign the day he was assassinated.

These revolutions have never led to any great extent the form government and have been mostly in the cities where students, professors and educated people who directed them.

Throughout the country the revolutionary movements have not been felt. Times mobs burn houses and in the provinces, but it is usual to get food, and not to attempt to change the form of government.

The terrorists, anarchists and other organizations which in the past have been agitating against the government do not represent the people. Even they have been since the war began and have been embarrassed by the government.

short, the present disturbance is against foreign influences in government and graft in the administration of affairs. The people determined that the war shall be to a finish and they are forcing the government to do it.

I believe that if a plebiscite were held, the majority of the over 150,000,000 voters would not vote for the overthrow of the Emperor or the abolition of the throne.

Overseas leads the world in exports for poor relief in proper population.

FROM OLD SCOTLAND

NOTES OF INTEREST FROM HER BANKS AND BRAES.

What is Going On in the Highlands and Lowlands of Auld Scotia.

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As we made ready noise the animals, unblinded by their own eyes, accustomed to the glare of the sun, drew in nearer and nearer. My stay was prolonged. On the next night a big shape hurried over the darkness barrier and landed as easily as a feather, and was off. I had realized just what had happened, taking thought, who had been doing, wrapped up in his blanket.

Soldier was too astonished to say what had carried him seven or eight yards beyond the barrier. The great teeth had not touched him, he dropped the blanket and the soldier, pulling his arms free, took the soldier's nose with all his strength and shooting as he did.

By this time, too, we were all starting on peacock, yelling like Indians and shooting off our rifles.

He must have spared the lion half a mile off at top speed. No doubt still running.

Ten days later we trekked down to Kamina also on the railway, and stopped on to Lixia where we took two engines, two cattle, and a team of racing stock slightly damaged. Two stations further up a team of men took eighteen engines and a big lot of rolling stock.

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and looking at the whole silhouette from shoulder to ankles, and not merely from the waist downward, the name is indeed most appropriate.

Perhaps the most generally favored of all fabrics this spring will be satin. It is to be used for one-piece dresses for suits, and for separate coats. This material will also be in demand for evening gowns and afternoon dresses, and for these its popularity will be shared by charmeuse, which is very closely related to satin. The suits and dresses of satin will be decorated with braiding and embroidery, and much of the embroidery will carry out the Oriental colorings which are distinctly in vogue this season.

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Shade Trees. In the planting of shade trees, could not those trees be used that would not only give shelter to birds but food as well? A black sweet cherry or wild cherry tree is beautiful and free from attacks of scale as compared to other trees. A few locust trees with a twisting fox grape-vine twining over them are beautiful, and the fragrance of the grape blossoms is a delight and a glorious feast for bees. Where are the birds to nest and feed if all the timber is to be cut down?

YES! MAGICALLY! CORNS LIFT OUT WITH FINGERS

ALL FOR NOTHING.

Some English People Not The Least Alarmed by German Frightfulness.

A recent amusing sketch in Punch depicted a stout British matron, during a midnight Zeppelin raid, panting her dutiful way up to the bedroom of the new maid to invite her to join the family downstairs—of course, for greater safety. But the maid, kneeling in the window seat, merely turned an excited countenance over her shoulder long enough to reply politely:

"Oh, thank you, ma'am, but it isn't necessary. I've a beautiful view up here!"

The artist may have invented the scene, but probably he did not, declares an American woman who recently visited London, for in the household of the friend with whom she was staying a parallel incident occurred. In that case it was not the mistress who went down, hastily but decorously kimonoed, to offer to any of the family who wished to see what was going on in the hospitality of her tiny, top-story chamber, which commanded a wide view over roofs and chimney pots to the horizon. She was surprised and disappointed that no one accepted, and only a downright command deterred her from returning to her post of observation.

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