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Victory

A Great Victorian

By Arthur S. Draper

Time is best measured by those events which leave a lasting impression, and one of these was a luncheon in the London home of Arthur J. Balfour, then First Lord of the Admiralty, almost fourteen years ago. At the table were two sisters of the First Lord, his brother-in-law, Austen Chamberlain, then Colonial Secretary, and the writer. Just how I happened to be Mr. Balfour's guest is of no importance, although the topic we discussed after the meal was of much interest to me and to the other American correspondents in London, and perhaps of some little importance to Mr. Balfour and the British Empire.

In the early spring of 1916 Great Britain had come to realize that it was to be a long war; that business could not be carried on as usual; that voluntary enlistment would not suffice; that it might be a good thing to acquaint the rest of the world, particularly America, with the fact that she intended to fight until the bitter end, and that neutrals were bound to have an unpleasant time of it. In other words, British propaganda, to use a word which bit the era harshly at that time, was not satisfactorily organized. Sir Gilbert Parker, the later Mr. Masterman and their associates were doing a big job, but the special articles they were getting from Bernard Shaw, H. G. Wells, Arnold Bennett, John Masefield, Hall Caine and a host of others were not considered sufficient.

Mr. Balfour enjoyed the reputation of not reading "The Times," not to mention the other organs of British public opinion. In fact, the First Lord was reputed to be entirely indifferent to anything which appeared in the public prints—so indifferent that he ignored the editorials when he became Prime Minister. He did not hate newspapers, he was completely indifferent to them.

Most of the talk in the drawing-room had to do with some fifty motorcars the First Lord had in Egypt or Mesopotamia or somewhere else in that part of the world which was not attracting nearly so much attention as the region around Arras, Amiens and Ypres. Mr. Chamberlain would adjust his monocle, present an argument and Mr. Balfour would say "No" with apparently as much interest and feeling as he would show in deciding a second helping of roast chicken. Mr. Chamberlain was persistent. He wanted those cars; he wanted them for transports—and he got them, when Mr. Balfour seemed to have grown tired of refusing.

Sir Douglas Brownrigg, the chief Naval Censor, "Cappy" Admiral Sir Reginald Hall, the head of the British Naval Intelligence and Mr. Masterson-Smith often found Mr. Balfour in the same mood—indifferent to subjects of vital interest to them, a perfect genius in solving problems once he was interested, contemptuous of details, but childlike in his orthodoxism when he appreciated that he was expected to untangle some diplomatic problem or write a note which would reflect the views of his countrymen. Looking back over the files I find I wrote this paragraph after that luncheon fourteen years ago:

"I should say that war is the breeze that Mr. Balfour would select for enjoyment or recreation. He is the antithesis of Von Tirpitz (who died the other day). For forty-odd years Mr. Balfour has been in the service of his country. He was Prime Minister from 1902 to 1905, and First Lord of the Treasury and leader of the House of Commons from 1891 to 1906. Unquestionably he enjoys much more the preparing of his Gifford lectures or a round on the famous course of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club at St. Andrews, of which he was at one time the captain, that he does the planning of how to increase the efficiency of the already efficient fleet under his control. Mr. Balfour is not a sailor. But whatever he does he does well. Now he is in charge of the British Navy."

Then followed a few statements regarding the problem of the blockade and the feeling of Americans (it was a year before we came into the war) and then this paragraph:

"All this is preliminary to the statement that Mr. Balfour is one of the best friends and admirers the United States has in the British government. He is a generous and honorable enemy and loves and is proud of all Britain's naval tradition. He fights as a gentleman and regrets that his enemy resorts to gouging and throttling."

It was not until the luncheon was over and he had taken me into his study that a word was said regarding the reason for my presence in his home. Whatever his views about newspapers he plunged into the subject of the American press, the work of the American correspondents in London, the possibility of extending news facilities. As he stood with his back to the open fire he asked question after question, inviting the frankest criticism and showing instant appreciation whenever I hesitated to give the whole truth as I saw it. One understood why he was known as "Prince Arthur." He made his guest feel that he was doing him a real favor. He saw it as a new problem, something interesting, something well worth while doing and he tackled it as he did a ball on the base line at an age when most men would have been satisfied to applaud from the stands.

Then he invited me to walk from his home to the House of Commons. At a normal gait the trip should be made in ten minutes, but it took us almost an hour because Mr. Balfour was expounding his view that the most important development of the war was not fighting, much more important than the submarine, the aeroplane or gun range. He wore a frock coat, a soft black hat and a pair of glasses attached to a black ribbon. He stopped at the Admiralty Arch to make a point; he stopped at the Horse Guards and acknowledged salutes and greetings, but it was plain he recognized no one; he stopped half a dozen times more and that despite the fact that his secretary had found him and was politely suggesting that he would be late for questions in the House.

Before tackling the story that day I saw Sir Douglas Brownrigg and told him what I had obtained and that Mr. Balfour had given me permission to use anything I considered of interest to American readers. The naval censor and I reached a compromise and remained firm friends, but suffice it to say that wartime correspondence would have been a simple affair with Mr. Balfour as censor. His frankness was staggering; he took one into his confidence and one was afraid of oneself. It was Mr. Balfour who was chiefly responsible for the framing of the first communique on the Battle of Jutland, which dumbfounded the British people and made the rest of the world feel that Germany had won an overwhelming naval victory. Mr. Balfour was never afraid to face the truth; he had the deepest faith in his own countrymen, their courage and determination; and regardless of their political views they admired him in a way they did no other contemporary statesman.

As the war went on Mr. Balfour came more and more in contact with the press. He was "A. J." in those days—sympathetic, calm, the Greeter of the Cabinet. Some of those who worked with him at the time were fearful that he would either say too much or be contemptuous. Instead there were few better spokesmen and none that enjoyed the conferences more—the leading, tricky questions, the matching of wits, the fencing in which words alone score.

There is the story of the Cabinet meeting after the German attack in 1918, the drive which almost ended in a decisive victory for Ludendorf—a battle which depressed Lloyd George and unsettled Douglas Haig, though both knew wheer and when the German spearhead would hit. Most everyone was excited; many had their "wind-up," but "A.J." was content to say "How annoying." It leaked out—and Germany was beaten, though "Britain had her back to the wall," to use Haig's words. Some people are always striving for effect, coining smart words and phrases, but Balfour gave voice to his normal feelings, and the reactions of a great Victorian heartened a people who had grown tired, exhausted, doubtful, disillusioned. A strong man spoke as his ancestors would have spoken and a whole nation responded. There was a challenge, there was only one answer. Aristocracy, democracy, dictatorship—a wonderful background of traditions!

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Skillful Heros of Scientific Exploration

PIONEERS OF THE ANTARCTIC

Left to Right—Parker Cramer, Orval Porter, Sir Hubert Wilkins and Al Cheesman, members of 2nd Hearst-Wilkins Antarctic expedition, returning to New York from Montevideo. Sir Hubert flew 600 miles from base on Deception Island, making observations.

Flying in Africa

The return of Sir Alan Cobham, the English flying man, after another long stay in Africa, where he has been surveying the air routes from Egypt to Cape Town, emphasizes the fact that the Dark Continent of Livingstone and Stanley is being turned into a white man's touring ground. Progress heretofore, though steady, has been slow. Roads and railways have been gradually pushed forward, and steamers ply on the rivers and lakes. But if the rate of advance is to keep pace with modern times it must be accelerated. The establishment of regular air services is essential to the rapid opening up of the interior.

The British have been making careful and elaborate preparations, and the French and Belgians have been actively at work in the western areas. It is the task of the survey party which Sir Alan Cobham has left behind him in Africa to improve the British line of communications. As he sees the problem it is not enough to run a regular service of airplanes by which the mail from London to the Cape can be accomplished in eight days. It is a proper function of the airplane to bring the remotest settlements in economical touch with civilization. A beginning has been established at Nairobi, which will be a junction on the line, whence airplanes can be sent off in any direction to the interior.

The development of the African Continent is to be both rapid and beneficent. It will depend on the extent to which white men can not only settle there, but live a civilized life in remote districts. Today it is the airplane, and the airplane alone, which can keep them in effective touch with civilization.

General Smuts is surely right in stating that the progress of the African races depends on the wise, dominated work of white settlers. But for many years to come white men in equatorial Africa will be relatively few in number and widely scattered. Their work can only be the building in the best sense of the term, if they maintain their own contacts with civilization; and it can only be accomplished by diminishing the distances and linking up the centres. For that the airplane—which is part of independence, speed and enlightening mind—and the equally enlightened aldvance are the agents. —American Science Service.

HEALTHY CHILDREN ALWAYS SLEEP WELL

The healthy, happy child sleeps well. It may be waking hours it may cross but always happy and laughing are signs of sound health. It is only the sickly, fretful, irritable child that is cross and peevish. Mothers, if your children do not sleep well, if they are cross and cry in great fear, do not avoid them. That is not their way of telling you they are ill. When they ailing give them Baby's Own Tablets and health will soon be well and happy again. The Tablets are a mild but thorough laxative which regulates the bowels, sweeten the stomach, banish constipation and indigestion, break up colds and simple fevers and promote healthful sleep. They are absolutely guaranteed free from opiates and other harmful drugs and may be given to the new-born babe with perfect safety and good results.

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GENEROSITY

True generosity rises above the ordinary rules of social conduct and flows with much too full a stream to be comprehended within the precise marks of formal precepts. It is a vigorous principle in the soul which opens and expands all her virtues far beyond those which are only the forced and unnatural productions of a timid obedience. The man who is influenced singly by motives of the latter kind, aims no higher than at certain authoritative standards, without ever attempting to reach those glorious elevations which constitute the only true heroism of the social character. Religion, without this sovereign principle, degenerates into a slavish fear, and wisdom into a specious cunning; learning is but the avarice of the mind, and wit its more pleasing kind of madness. In a word, generosity sanctifies every passion, and adds grace to every acquisition of the soul; and if it does not necessarily include, at least it reflects a lustre upon the whole circle of moral and intellectual qualities.—Melmoth.

"The virtues of the women of this generation will be remembered and honored when their critics are forgotten."—Peter B. Kyne.

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"A crossing cop is a friend of many years standing."

"Everything you do has its influence on what you are."—Bruce Barton.

Owl Laffs

Easter

Far back into the early ages of Christian history, one Christian would meet another on Easter Sunday with the words: "The Christ is risen!" And the answer would be: "He is risen indeed!!" Go to church Easter.

Mr. Hardfax—"You seem to be growing prettier each day."

Miss Muggs—"Thank you for the compliment; I'm glad you think so."

Mr. Hardfax—"Yes! If you keep on this way you stand a chance of being a fairly good looking old woman."

If she declines she despises him look out for the wedding announcement soon.

Man proposes—and woman accepts him before he has time to back out.

Candidate—"It is my intention to conduct a bankless campaign."

Press Agent—"Sweetheart, brother, and I'm just the guy that's got the money to put that hooey over."

Stern Mamma—"Adolph, you've been a naughty boy. Go to the pantry and give yourself a thrashing."

Justified. By Jinks!

It's no wonder married men go out with the girls. Their wives won't let them bring them home.

Josh—"Where is the old-fashioned girl who used to have mistletoe in the front room and blush when kissed?"

Si—"Oh, she's put a parking light on her roadster now."

Symptoms

Am a sort of a cynical cow,
Mellow and mildly sarcastic,
My peculiarities hardly will move
Any more, they're elastic.
I have aversions—God knows it—a score
Motor trips, tailless cocktail,
College reunions—they all are a bore
Pairing me deep in my vitals.
I dislike dancing—at least with a maid
And only when I am drinking,
Cabaret song are lost then afraid—
Awful to my way of thinking.
Nary that, Sam—for it I never was
strong.
Reality, I guess I'm a sport,
Yes, you'd see me in the same report
WOW!—
From a Grace cyclopedia.

A woman be wise enough to know that when she wants to teach a man to monkey, her ways are much more effective than her words.

Young wife (to husband who has just finished the chore reading in the garden and expressed her opinion)—"Oh, Harold—to think you stay always called a space alleyist!"

One-half the world may not know how the other half lives, but it has its suspicions.

You can't eat your cake and have it, too; neither can the farmer sell off all his hens in the spring and expect to furnish town folks with cheap eggs in the fall.

The Girl—"I said that book you lent me frightfully dull, Professor. I thought you said there was a naughty problem in it?"

The Professor—"My dear young lady, there is a naughty problem."

When the man in "white collar" begins the girls will be afraid.

"Dad, I'd like to know how you got acquainted with mother?"

Mother—"About three weeks after we were married."

Tell there was no "collar" in her when he began? Only the collar left her neck.

A [illegible] is [illegible] to [illegible] cent.

"What will happen if I get married, Gertie? Do we settle down together?"

"KNOW THYSELF"

Seek thy heart to the potter, and try it nicely, to be thoroughly satisfied of thy sincerity. Let no day pass without an account taken of thy life, and be sure to observe very diligently what ground you gain and lose, what alteration appears in your temper, behaviour, affection, desires, what resemblance or degeneracy from God; how near approaches you make, or to what distances you are cast. Above all other subjects, study your own self; for he who is thoroughly acquainted with himself hath attained to a more valuable sort of learning than if the course and position of the stars, the virtues of plants, the nature of all sorts of animals, etc., had employed his thoughts.

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A TIRED FEELING IN SPRINGTIME

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With the passing of winter many people feel weak, depressed and easily tired. The body lacks the vital force and energy pure blood alone can give. In a word, while not exactly sick, the indoor life of winter has left its mark upon them. A blood-building, nerve-restoring tonic is needed to give renewed health and energy. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are an all-year-round blood builder and nerve tonic, but are especially useful in the spring. Every dose helps to make new, rich, red blood and with this new blood returning strength, cheerfulness and good health quickly follow.

If you are pale, easily tired, or breathless at the least exertion if your complexion is poor or you are troubled with pimples or eruptions, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are just what you need to put you right. If you have twinges of rheumatism, are subject to headaches and backaches, if you are irritable and nervous, if your sleep does not refresh you, or your appetite is poor, you need the treatment Dr. Williams' Pink Pills alone can give—you need the new blood, new strength and new energy this medicine always brings. Mr. A. Mayotte, North Hatley, Que., writes:—"I have found great benefit from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Before I began using them I was in a badly run-down condition, and at times felt scarcely able to work. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have changed all this and since taking them I am enjoying the best of health. Every man who feels run-down and easily tired should give this great medicine a fair trial."

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Improved Diet

Better Nourishment for Babies Now in Prospect

Chicago—Through experiment with dogs and rats, scientists attending the annual meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology indicated that better nourishment for infants is in prospect.

The fact that diet plays in the ability of a mother to nurse her young and that provide them with the most natural and satisfactory sort of food was demonstrated by Dr. R. G. Daggs, of the University of Rochester.

He found that in dogs, milk production was greatly increased through a diet rich in liver.

It took a lot of eggs and kidney to produce similar results in experiments with rats, he said, showing that with different animals different diets are required to increase secretion.

Results obtained in these experiments, he said, showed, it was observed, to the extent that medical problems will take notice feeding of infants a large part.

Other speakers discussed the fact that new methods of measuring the amount of vitamins remaining in the food, or the food value, have been developed.

Experiments of a large dog at a Boston hospital showed that when the dogs had a supply of wheat and fat [illegible] they were thrown off as the [illegible] and prone to pellagra.

Other [illegible] be brought to [illegible] a group of dogs and cats that had been disturbed by surgery of most of their brains. They displayed traits totally unlike those of normal animals and were used to show how [illegible] can go through the motions of [illegible] with almost no intelligence.

Empire Agriculture

Victoria Colonist (Cons.) What a vast wealth of horses, cattle, sheep and pigs the British Empire possesses! It is a little weak in pigs, possessing only 11,000,000, or about 5 per cent. of the whole number. America is the place for pigs. There is a hog for every man, woman and child in the United States, and then some left over. Of cattle the Empire has nearly half the number of the whole world, 250,000,000 out of 560,000,000, and it has the same number of sheep. Of horses it has one-tenth of the world's number. This is only a fraction of what the Empire could produce. The grass lands now support 500,000,000 animals. If all these animals were suited by their surroundings, if they had the best kind of grass and roots on which they could be fed, if they were free from disease, their numbers might be doubled or trebled. There might be as many stock animals in the British Empire as there are people in the world.

Beatty Evolved Hat Tilt To Escape His Headache

London.—It is not a striving after notoriety or a love of the bizarre that prompts Admiral of the Fleet Beatty to wear his hats and caps at a jaunty angle.

The famous tilt which the titled sailor favors is due to a cranial conformation which makes the wearing of a hat "on the level" most painful.

This fact is revealed by Lieutenant Commander Geoffrey Rawson in his unofficial biography, "Earl Beatty: Admiral of the Fleet."

Efforts to wear his cap in an orthodox manner caused severe headaches, and he finally evolved the "Beatty tilt," which is known all over the world.

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Building Higher And Higher

Coincident with the adoption of an important revision to her building code, New York was treated to a fictional criticism in the Saturday Evening Post of her tall buildings. The author probably was unaware that the board of aldermen had just enacted this code revision and he could not have known that Mayor Walker would give final consideration to signing the new code on the day the magazine appeared on the news stands. It is significant, however, that after thirty years New York has a new building ordinance which is calculated to make skyscrapers safer, yet more economical of construction.

Practically every city in the United States has within the last [illegible] years revised its code to a significant [illegible] as steel construction [illegible]. In most instances that revision [illegible] alone to the so-called wrecking [illegible] which takes cognizance of the improved quality of the material. This permits the use of a smaller quantity of a better steel. In the case of New York, however, the revision goes further and imposes definite restrictions upon the use of steel frame buildings, based upon the experience gained during the last forty years, or since structural steel came into use.

Now that buildings with [illegible] more stories are being [illegible] case in New York, and [illegible] designs have been [illegible] stories building, this question of greatest importance, [illegible] and New York most of extreme buildings as yet. Chicago [illegible] a revision of her building code. New York set about it [illegible] age. It is asserted of structures that 20-story [illegible] entirely feasible and [illegible] ably desirable when [illegible] create still more in [illegible]. As yet it not a few [illegible] and advances [illegible] secure footing [illegible] are not so far [illegible] problem that is now [illegible] Chicago, where [illegible] is made in [illegible] are [illegible] [illegible] Food.

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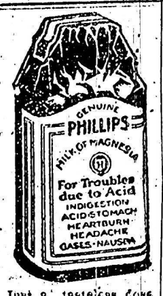

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