

## FAILED TO DESTROY

### THE CABLE TO RUSSIA BY WAY OF DENMARK.

#### German Warships Fear Mines—Lord Kitchener Is Detained in London—Sloops Interned.

Copenhagen, Aug. 4.—German torpedo boat destroyers made an attempt to cut the cable to Russia by way of Rosendvig, Denmark, but were not successful. They operated just beyond the three mile limit.

The Fehmarn Belt is fairly filled with German ships of war and transport vessels. Several Russian warships also have been seen in the same vicinity.

The military force of Zealand, the island on which the capital is situated, was increased last night by 23,000 men. The island already had a large garrison.

The Danish parliament met in extraordinary session to take such steps as are made necessary by the European situation. Orders have been received at Malmore, Sweden, from the German government for the return of the 400 automobiles of German manufacture which are being shown at the Malmore exhibition.

Nearly all steamship lines between Germany and Denmark have suspended service.

The steamer service of the Korsor ferry to Kiel has been suspended. The last German mail steamer upon her arrival at Kiel was converted into a hospital ship.

#### Tested Track For Mines.

Brussels, Aug. 4.—Reports received here indicate that the German column which is invading France by way of Luxembourg has sent detachments over the railway to Audun-le-Remon, and that these are continuing on the Joppocourt, Aviluppert and Longwy.

When the invaders reached the border town of St. Martin, according to the despatches, the troops trains were halted until a string of freight cars had been pushed on ahead to test the track for possible mines. A French patrol stationed at the Customs house at St. Martin is reported to have resisted the advance guard of skirmishers and then to have retired. No details of the encounter or the casualties have been received here.

After this brief skirmish the German column advanced without opposition to Longwy, where the first important fighting is reported to have occurred.

#### Self-Sacrificing Spirit.

London, Aug. 4.—The London papers are giving plentiful counsels to the public to display a self-sacrificing spirit, to refrain from excitement and to avoid selfish actions, such as laying in large stores of provisions which would tend to raise prices and lead to hardships for the poorer classes.

Field Marshall Lord Kitchener, who was to return to his Egyptian post, is detained in London. According to telegrams from European capitals, Great Britain's decision on this point was awaited with the deepest anxiety, especially in Paris and St. Petersburg.

#### Sloops Interned.

San Diego, Cal., Aug. 4.—That the British sloops of war Shearwater and Algerine will be interned at San Diego, and the officers and men rushed overland to New York for England to be used in manning the larger warships of the British reserve fleet, was the report here. The Algerine is reported to be steaming at full speed from Mazatlan to this port. The Shearwater, fully coaled and provisioned, is lying in the stream.

It was at first believed the two ships would proceed to Esquimalt, the British naval station in British Columbia, but the gravity of the European situation caused a sudden change in the British Admiralty's plans. Neither the Shearwater nor Algerine is capable of taking a place in line of battle and because of this fact their officers and crew, it is said, will be transferred to larger ships of the fleet.

Under international maritime law the vessels have the breach blocks of their guns and all ammunition and rifles taken off if they are interned in case of war.

## MONDAY NIGHT WAR BULLETINS.

Text of British mobilization order as signed by King George was made public to-night. It calls for reporting to colors of regulars, reserves and territorialists. Order includes reserves of entire empire.

Ports of Quebec and Montreal have been closed and all shipping must have special permission to enter and leave. An inspecting vessel has been stationed off the Island of Orleans, and the northern channel has been shut off entirely, it is believed to be mined.

Lord Morley speaking in the House of Commons said Sir Edward Grey had not given sufficient reasons why England should intervene in the European war. His remarks brought forth angry shouts and jeers.

The German embassy at London appealed to England to remain neutral.

After a sharp encounter, a German force captured Czestochowa, in Russian Poland, with heavy losses.

The Toronto Mail and Empire announces that the Ontario city corps may be called out to-night or in the morning.

French-Canadian regiments are volunteering in a body for war.

The German ambassador at Paris has demanded and received his passports.

The Italian government officially notified the French government that Italy will remain neutral.

To encourage the importation of wheat and flour from North America the British government this evening issued an official announcement temporarily guaranteeing war risks on these commodities from Canadian and United States ports.

The London Times is out with a special edition declaring war declaration inevitable within few hours.

The British House of Commons after a stormy session, in which the standing figures were Crown Prince Alexander of Serbia, who is leading the Serbian army against Austria, and Prince George.

## AFTER FOOD SUPPLY

### GOVERNMENT WILL PREVENT UNEQUAL DISTRIBUTION.

#### Appeal To Colonies—Asked to Reserve All Supplies For the British Market.

London, Aug. 4.—Prices of meat, flour, bread, butter, eggs, bacon, cheese and sugar have risen about eight pence. Heads of provision stores are advising the public against attempts to make accumulations of foodstuffs and orders have been given to refuse to supply abnormal demands.

Competent authorities believe that the British government will take control of the food supply in the event of this country becoming involved in war, so as to prevent an unequal distribution. If the war is general, there is likely to be a great shortage of eggs, the supply of which comes principally from the nations now actually at war. Bacon will be lacking.

The manager of a big provision store said yesterday that there is no cause for a panic for two or three months as the supplies of groceries and butter in the United Kingdom are sufficient for six months. There are large quantities in cold storage and the supply of canned foodstuffs is large.

The most serious rise in prices was in flour, which jumped up five shillings (\$1.25) a sack last week. There was hardly any fruit or vegetables at the Covent Garden market Saturday morning for the first time in the history of the market. This was attributed to inability to obtain railroad or other transport on the continent and the scarcity of money. The scarcity of sugar was to be expected because the supply comes via Hamburg from the Austrian refineries. Coal merchants



MEN WHO DOMINATE SERBIA.

Ruler and army leader. The inset photo shows King Peter and his army staff photographed at Lush during the Balkan war. From left to right the standing figures are: Crown Prince Alexander of Serbia, who is leading the Serbian army against Austria, and Prince George.

are swamped with orders indicating that the public is afraid of a big rise in the price. The Doncaster corn market, one of the largest in England, is at a standstill. The supplies of English grain are exhausted. Wheat is at 4 shillings (\$1) a quarter higher. The Newcastle corn market was excited to-day and closed in a state of paralysis. Flour was seven shillings (\$1.50) a quarter higher, and other foodstuffs 3s 6d (\$7c.). The Northampton corn market had no wheat offers. The dealers refused to make prices. On the Greenock Exchange, the principal Scottish sugar market, that commodity was 39 shillings (\$7.50) a ton higher. Cereals in the Mark Lane market have risen in two days from three to five shillings (75c. to \$1.25) a quarter. The price of oatmeal rose from \$12.10s a ton to \$14 (\$62.50 to \$70).

Dealers at the Smithfield market said that if all supplies are cut off there will be enough on hand for at least a month. Frozen meat is about a cent a pound dearer and chilled meat about two cents. Domestic meat has not yet felt the increase in prices. The manager of one big American firm said last night that he thought there would be no lack of Argentine meat provided the government orders convey for the steamers from the River Platte. The Australian mutton trade would probably be more seriously affected and a change in the present route might be thought advisable. There are about 250 ships in the frozen meat trade.

What has contributed materially to the rise in food prices has been the large supplies laid in by hospitals as well as private families. One hospital ordered supplies for three months. It is said that the government is consulting with leading business men with the idea of safeguarding the food supplies.

It has been suggested that an appeal be made to the colonies to reserve supplies as far as possible for the British market.

## SIR DONALD MANN.

#### Offers to Take Charge of Canadian Transportation Department.

Ottawa, Aug. 4.—Sir Donald Mann, vice-president of the C. N. R. has offered to take charge of the transportation work in the event of Canadian forces going to war in Europe. Sir Donald Mann's offer, made to Col. Sam Hughes, is to go with the forces wherever they may be dispatched.

#### A Social At Harrington.

Harrington, Aug. 1.—The ice cream social, under the auspices of the Epworth League, was well attended. The young people prepared a good programme of sports. The following were the successful ones: Bare foot race for boys under twelve—Lloyd Leonard, Gerald Cleiment, Harold Ryan. Three-legged race for girls under twelve—Helen Lovest and Dora Campbell. Hobbie skit race for young men—Joseph Watson. Nail race for girls over twelve—Ella Derbyshire, Beatrice Freeman. Three-legged race for boys over twelve—Frank Sigworth and Herbert Goslin. Sack races for girls over twelve—Amanda Walker. Cornet music was furnished by Mr. Simpson. Addresses were given by Rev. Messrs. Acton and Humphrey.

A civic parade always attracts a bigger crowd than an uplift movement.

## JAPAN WILL BACK BRITAIN.

### If War Extends to Chinese Waters, Says Visiting Jap.

Montreal, Aug. 4.—"If Great Britain becomes involved in this European war, and the warlike activities are continued in Asiatic waters, I should think there is no doubt that Japan would also go to war in support of her ally, Great Britain," said Commander K. Kabayama, a of the Imperial Japanese navy, who was at the Windsor hotel yesterday. "Of course, I have no official information from my government," said Commander Kabayama, "but we should undoubtedly keep the terms of our alliance loyalty. It is possible, however, that should Great Britain become engaged in war with Germany it might be agreed to confine the hostilities to European waters, in which case Japan would probably remain neutral."

So far as Chinese waters are concerned," said Commander Kabayama, "Germany is not strong there. She only has three or four armored cruisers with torpedo boats and similar vessels. Her fleet there is much inferior to the British, although it is as much stronger than the Russian fleet. You see," he added with a smile, "we did not leave much of the Russian fleet in those waters after our recent war with them."

Commander Kabayama fought through the Japan-Russia war on his ship, the cruiser Izumi, and intimated that if there were to be any further fighting he would like to return to Japan and take his share in it. He was, however, doubtful whether matters had come to such an impasse as cable information indicated, and said he was still hopeful that a general European blaze-up would be averted.

Commander Kabayama, who is accompanied by O. Nogamo, another Japanese naval officer, has been studying American naval construction and procedure, as well as perfecting his knowledge of English. He stated that he had come to Canada to escape the excessive heat in the American capital, and would stay a few days in Canada, with a visit to Ottawa, after which he intended going to the New England states, unless he was cabled home for service.

## EFFECT HIGHLY INJURIOUS.

#### New York Banker, Predicts Rise in Food Products.

New York, Aug. 4.—Henry Claws, the well-known New York banker, says: "The effect of the war upon the United States will be highly injurious. Food products will rise, and the taking of hundreds of thousands of men out of employment in Europe would mean a prolonged demand upon our food supplies. The scarcity of labor abroad would also be reflected here, resulting in higher wages in some industries and a general further rise in the cost of living. Probably some industries would benefit by the demand for war materials, and there would be a better demand for our manufactures of steel, textiles, etc., to meet the vacancy caused by the loss of foreign trade which Germany and other European nations would inevitably incur. It is folly to suppose that such wholesale destruction of life and property could be of benefit to the world at large. The drawback would not end in an increase in the cost of living. The world's money markets would be violently deranged, and our own would ultimately feel the strain. Higher interest rates would surely follow the wholesale destruction of capital, and much of the refinancing of the future which has got to be met would face serious obstacles. Our foreign trade will be demoralized. The heavy foreign sales of securities in this market were the main cause of a large influx of gold, amounting for the week to about \$40,000,000 on the current movement. More may be expected to follow, but this country fortunately has a large supply of the precious metal, and these shipments at the moment need excite no concern, though if continued indefinitely they are sure to induce firmer rates for money."

Mr. and Mrs. Burden and family, of Kingston, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks, Stratford, till after the Old Boys' Reunion, after that they will visit at London and Port Stanley.

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## AN UNLUCKY HEDGE

### And Under It It is Hard to Look Pleasant.

Toronto, Aug. 3.—One Toronto trader who sometimes operates heavily in stocks told the story of an unlucky hedge, under the effects of which he finds it hard to look pleasant. He bought 500 shares of C.P.R. last May when the stock was around \$200 a share, and sold 1,000 shares of Montreal Power short at 217 as a hedge. It was an unlucky deal both ways, for Power immediately started up and C.P.R. started down. To-day Montreal Power presumably shows him a profit of about \$7 a share on the short side. It sold at 217 yesterday, but this falls a good deal short of offsetting his loss of \$35 a share on his C.P.R.

## A New Corporation.

London, August 3.—The Imperial Canadian corporation, capitalized at \$1,000,000, will shortly be incorporated in Canada and Great Britain. The company, which is being promoted by C. H. Day, a former Canadian, will have a Canadian charter, with an advisory board, consisting of well-known Canadian business men. The parent company will be located in London, and will be directed by several well-known peers and prominent financiers, who have already agreed to go on the board. The corporation, as its name implies, will devote its energies very largely to the development of Canadian industries. It aims to furnish capital for the development of railroads, timber limits, mines, farming areas and colonization purposes in general. The company will commence operations as soon as a charter can be secured.

## Chosen Directors.

London, August 3.—Sir Edmund Walker, Sir Andrew Noble, head of Armstrong, Whitworth, limited, and Saxon Noble, his son, have been appointed to the directorate of the newly organized Mond Nickel company.

## C. P. R. Land Sales.

Winnipeg, Aug. 3.—According to an official report, when the Canadian Pacific railway has sold its last farm or townsite they will have realized nearly \$400,000,000 from the grants originally bestowed upon the company by the government in return for building a transcontinental railway across Canada. The company was given 25,000,000 acres, which at that time was considered almost valueless but at

## Financial Matters.

Dodge Bros., Detroit auto manufacturers, are to build \$1,000,000 addition to plants.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit earnings for the year ended June 30th showed a surplus after charges of \$3,315,000, an increase of \$18,700.

Messrs. H. P. Hood and Sons, of Sherbrooke, Que., will build a new creamery on land leased from the Grand Trunk railway.

Dwight Mills, Chicopee, will operate only four days a week during August owing to present business depression.

New steamship combine, Furness-Houlder Argentine Lines, Ltd., has been registered in London; capital, \$5,000,000.

C. P. R. net earnings for June show a decrease of \$29,500, making the loss for the company's entire fiscal year \$3,815,586.

David G. Carmichael, a silk importer, of New York, was fined \$125 at Dumfries, Scotland, for stealing a brass handle from a bureau in the cottage of Robert Burns at Ayr.

## Toronto Street Market.

Toronto, Aug. 3.—Wheat, old, bush, \$1.00; wheat, new, bush, 22c to 25c; oats, bush, 45c to 48c; barley, bush, 63c to 65c; hay, old, \$21.00 to \$22.00; hay, new, \$18.00 to \$20.00; straw, \$11.00 to \$12.00; dressed hogs, heavy, \$9.75 to \$13.50; dressed hogs, light, \$11.50 to \$12.25; butter, choice, dairy, lb., 25c to 28c; butter, creamery, 25c to 30c; eggs, dozen, 30c to 34c; fowl, lb., 16c to 17c; chickens, spring, lb., 25c to 30c; ducks, spring, lb., 18c to 22c; turkeys, lb., 22c to 25c; potatoes, new, bushel, \$1.25 to \$1.50; beef, forequarters, cwt., \$10.00 to \$12.00; beef, hindquarters, cwt., \$15.00 to \$16.50; beef, choice sides, cwt., \$12.00 to \$13.75; beef, medium, cwt., \$11.50 to \$12.25; beef, common, cwt., \$9.50 to \$10.00; mutton, light, cwt., \$9.00 to \$12.00; veal, prime, cwt., \$14.00 to \$16.00; lamb, spring, lb., 19c to 21c.

## To Found Lepet Institute.

Montreal, Aug. 4.—There has just come to light a bequest of Lord Strathcona's which was purposely left unmentioned in his will. This is the provision of a sum of \$25,000 for the founding of an institution for lepers in England.

White Rose flour for all purposes.

There's Nothing Like Being What You Say, Chic : : : : : By "Bud" Fisher

