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NEW TROUBLES IN MEXICO.

The United States government cannot safely remove its troops from Mexico. The insurrection is not yet over. The peace of the country has not been established. Carranza was regarded as the representative of the constitutionists, the party which desired to rule the republic in a popular and democratic way. Madero, the unfortunate, and the victim of a conspiracy, was not regarded as the ruler of the people. Huerta was esteemed a usurper who presumed to hold his place by means of force. An election for the presidency, under his direction, was a farce. Carranza disputed his authority and continued his hostility until Huerta saw the wisdom of resigning office and disappearing. Carranza was aided by General Villa, who now resents his superiority and proposes to supplant him. The president of the United States refused to recognize Huerta and favoured the ascendancy of Carranza; and when he became the provisional director of Mexico proposed to withdraw the United States troops and battleships from Vera Cruz. He must be embarrassed by the attitude of Villa toward Carranza. Apparently the man whom Mr. Wilson approved is not a model whom the Mexicans can respect and obey.

SUCCESS OF THE CAMPAIGN.

The Patriotic Fund campaign has had a most gratifying result. It has produced the amount arrived at, \$50,000, and the amount which a week ago, seemed to be more than could be raised under the circumstances. War does more than cause distress in the countries immediately affected by it. A war, in the proportions of that in progress, affects the world financially, and commercially. And hence, Canada, reviving from the business dullness of the preceding months, was at once confronted with new conditions of a more depressing character. The task of creating a patriotic fund, of large dimensions, was, therefore, a heavy one, and the fact that it succeeded is the very best evidence that the hearts of each contributor was in the right place, and that the public pulse was beating favourably. Those at the front, fighting the battles of the country, and fighting too, the battles of those who remained at home, must see in the success of the campaign the encouragement that they so much require. Their families and dependents will be protected and cared for; and that is a great satisfaction. There will be something to spare from the fund, the excess of the \$50,000, for the relief fund which must be raised without delay, and those who had it in mind throughout the recent campaign, will be able to give towards it generously and freely. We hope that the organization that did such effective work for the patriotic fund will be used in promoting the relief fund, the need of which cannot be questioned for a moment.

SECRET SERVICE SCARE.

A man who was in the secret service of the German empire has written a book in which he presumes, in the recital of his experiences, to give some of these secrets away. Some of the experiences are very interesting, in view of present conditions. They show how some apparent mysteries occur or are cleared up. An interview with Sir Edward Grey is given. Officially Sir Edward is described as distant, and phlegmatic. He received this visitor with very scanty remarks. He had something to say, but he had something to conceal. The foreign minister knew his man, and did not rise from his seat. He was a secret document when he entered, and he remained so until he was asked the question. The visitor said he had heard, and Sir Edward, they can get hold of.

reading on, and seemingly studying his man at the same time, allowed him to exercise his preference. The foreign minister looked over several papers, one probably giving a pen portrait of the secret service agent, and then began his conversation. He asked direct and precise questions. The secret service agent answered "no" when he could have answered "yes." Sometimes he evaded the point, and Sir Edward knew it. The meeting was unsatisfactory. It ended abruptly. Sir Edward touched a button and two officials entered and showed the secret service agent out without the exchange of a final word. The secret service agent was not impressed with Sir Edward, and it can be taken for granted that Sir Edward was not impressed with him. Sir Edward is a busy man and has no time to waste on those who have no information to impart.

DISTRIBUTION OF AID.

The experience of Kingston, in failing to secure a perfect list of the military men now at Valenciennes, is not peculiar to this place. The mayor or sought reliable information from those who should have it, in vain. Apparently the enlistments were made at different times and somewhat spasmodically. The officer commanding the district did his best to check up the returns and make them complete, and he has had his difficulties. That they have been duplicated elsewhere is evident from the observations of the Toronto Telegram. It has explained that delay in the distribution of the patriotic fund is not the fault of the executive committee, that without data it has been impossible to act. "It was necessary," says the Telegram, "to wait for the official list, and blame for the delay in compiling one must be placed in another quarter. Presumably there has been very great pressure upon the time of the military authorities at the camp. Even yet, some of the lists have not been received, and criticism of the local executive is unjust to a body of men who are only too willing to fulfil the duties which they have generously undertaken." The administration of the fund is directed from Ottawa, but the basis of distribution is fixed and determined locally, and the distribution of aid takes place eventually under the direction of the local committee when its reports have been approved by the central executive.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The canvassers for patriotic funds know the city, and the people in it, better. This house to house visitation extends one's acquaintanceship wonderfully. The public meeting in the City Hall last night showed the growing interest in the patriotic movement. The proceedings were generally of an inspiring nature. The poor we have always with you, and they must be clothed and fed. Wars are not annual occurrences. Hence the directness of the patriotic appeal. So far the sons of the kaiser, with their bejewelled swords, have not come into personal contact with the enemy. They are at war, but not, apparently, in the front line. People can do anything—they can undertake any tasks—when they put their minds to it. The campaign in connection with the patriotic fund was a "whirlwind" of the proper kind. Canadian merchants are receiving circulars, from Austrian and German manufacturers. They profess to be able to make up any orders that are sent to them. But they are bluffing. They can't deliver the goods. Eight hundred officers of the British army have fallen in the war. They have suffered with the men, and have fought side by side with them. They have exhibited true British valour. The boys of Germany, under eighteen years of age, have been summoned from school, and compressed into the military service. They are being drilled in a last effort of the fatherland to defeat the allies. Germany will be depleted of its young men when the war is over. What is selling in the west—at \$1.12 a bushel. The crop of this year, should yield, at present prices, \$172,108,200. The C.P.R. is getting a bonus, too, by a very substantial increase in its earnings. Next year should be a bountiful year if the farmer tills all the land he can. A poor wreck of a man, shivering and shaking in the prisoners' dock in Toronto, pleaded for heroin, \$15 worth of which he used every week. He first used it in the hospital, liked it, and became a drug fiend, consuming 165 tablets a day. What a tragedy this is, and as the result of thoughtless hospital practice.

Part of the Game.

Perhaps, after all, war is not entirely what General Sheridan said it was. The French and Belgian girls are kissing all the English soldiers who stand, and Sir Edward, they can get hold of.

PUBLIC OPINION

Feeling Guilty.

The Kaiser in Luxembourg and the cad at Bord a Plouffe seem to think they need the fish ponds near Fernonville and jumped in and fought them in the water. Now we know why Scotch soldiers don't wear pants.

A Special Brew.

In the nation's capital they are advertising a temperance drink called "frazzle brew." We suspect it to be the kind of stuff that the jack rabbit of South Carolina drinks when about to go forth and hunt the alligator.

German Success.

German daring has scored a tremendous success in the sinking of three British cruisers by submarine attack. If the success were Britain's we would all acclaim it. Let us be just to a brave enemy.

Fighting Sharks.

While sending forth her sons to fight enemies abroad, Canada should not neglect to fight her enemies at home—the sharks who hope to gain riches by taking advantage of the opportunity to raise the prices of the necessities of life.

Kingston Event: 25 YEARS AGO.

H. A. Calvin, Capt. Van Strawn, George Mills, R. V. Rogers and Prof. Goodwin were elected directors of the Y.M.C.A. Today two thousand boxes of cheese were sold at 10c, and 10c. Real estate men are receiving many enquiries respecting land from gentlemen outside the city who are anxious to purchase.

TO FIRE BOURASSA.

Resolution of Expulsion Cheered at Montreal Luncheon.

Montreal, Sept. 24.—An attempt was made this afternoon to expel Henri Bourassa, the Nationalist leader from the Canadian club at a banquet held in the Windsor Hotel at which the Belgian delegation to President Wilson was present. A resolution calling for Mr. Bourassa's expulsion was tendered as follows: "That this club regrets to feel that the spirit which prompted it to extend the honor of its membership to Henri Bourassa, one of the most eloquent of our French-Canadian orators, does not seem to have been either understood or appreciated by him, and that the club now feels in justice to those of our French and English fellow members who believe in a united Canada and who are loyally giving their time, their money and their lives in the service of their king and country, that the treasurer should return Mr. Bourassa his fee, expressing the hope that he will live long enough to realize what it means to be a true patriot and honored citizen." The motion was cheered loudly by both French and English members. Because Mr. Bourassa had been given the motion, and because notice of it had been given, Dean Adams asked that the matter be referred to the executive. The statement of Bourassa to which most exception is taken by his critics here appeared in Le Devoir, his organ, and follows: "Canada, an irresponsible, dependent of Great Britain, has no moral or constitutional obligation nor any immediate interest in the present conflict. There are grave reasons for abstention and the future will demonstrate, and perhaps very bitterly, that its military intervention will be of little efficacy to the allies, but will have serious consequences to itself." However, he also contended that it is Canada's national duty to contribute in the measure of its forces and of the assistance it can command, to the triumph of the combined efforts of France and England, because of the ethical, social, intellectual and economic ties binding the dominion to France and England. As a patriotic Canadian could not rest indifferent to the European conflict.

BARONESS SENT TO JAIL.

Failed to Register in London as Enemy. London, Sept. 25.—Baroness Von Neuberger was sentenced by a London police court magistrate to imprisonment for three weeks for failing to register as an alien enemy. The baroness, said her husband, is the general commanding the 8th German army corps, while her son is a member of the officers' training corps at the Westminster school. The baroness for years kept a private hotel in the Bloomsbury district.

The Late Edward Barr.

Westport Mirror. Edward Barr, a life-long resident of Burridge, passed away at his home on Monday evening, September 14th, aged seventy-four years. His health had been failing for some time, but without any apparent pain, only being confined to bed for a couple of weeks. Besides his wife he leaves to mourn, three daughters, Melissa, at home; Mrs. James Elliott, Dexter, N.Y., and Mrs. John Cook, Jr., Burridge, and two sons, Delbert, of Harrowmath, and David, at home, also two brothers, George, of Harrowmath, and Samuel, of Burridge. In religion Mr. Barr was a Methodist, in politics a staunch conservative. The funeral, which was largely attended, was held at Burridge, being conducted by Rev. C. D. Baldwin. After the service was conducted the members of the Orange Lodge, of which Mr. Barr was a member, conducted an impressive service, after which the remains were placed in the vault at Westport.

ROKED WITH THE CANON

An Amusing Exchange of Pleasantries Between King and Kaiser.

An account of an amusing conversation between King Edward, the German Emperor, and the Canon is given in "Some Recollections" by Canon Teignmouth Shore. King Edward and the Kaiser were on a brief visit to the Prince and Princess Charles of Hesse at Kronberg, and came over to the town one day to unveil a memorial to the Princess Elizabeth of Hesse. "After the ceremony they expressed a wish to see the memorial in the English church to the late Emperor Frederick. I accompanied their Majesties, and on entering the building, the Emperor turned to me. "Now, Canon," he said, "how many does the church hold?" "In the season, your Majesties replied, there are about three hundred or three hundred and fifty present." And how many of them are at the service?" he asked, with a laugh. "I must beg your Majesty's pardon not to think that I preach every Sunday!" "The King, who seemed amused and pleased at the answer, remarked: "You see, you must get up early to walk round my church!" "Yes, and a good walk job," said the Emperor, with a glance at my own what bulky figure. "Yes," said the King. "You know Teignmouth Shore, you are putting on weight." "Well, at all events," said the Emperor, with a most graceful smile, "I never needs to do that in the pulpit!"

A WITTY BISHOP.

Perhaps one of the best definitions of the functions of the Upper House was that given by Bishop Wilberforce when called upon at a dinner of the City Company (the Salters), of which he was an honorary member, to respond to the toast of "The Lords and Commons." "Gentlemen," said he, "I can only compare our two great legislative Chambers to a clock, which the House of Commons is the main-spring and the House of Lords the pendulum—a pendulum which keeps the mainspring in order, and prevents the clock from running down." The story is also told of the manner in which the bishop silenced some young men who endeavored to draw him into a controversy at a time when a series of tracts, entitled "The Road to Heaven" was creating a considerable sensation. The bishop, however, proved too much for them, merely saying: "The best and only road to Heaven I know is to turn to the right and go straight on."

BILL NYE'S COW.

Bill Nye, the humorist, once had a cow to sell, and advertised her as follows: "Owing to my ill-health, I will sell at my residence, in township nineteen, range eighteen, according to the Government's survey, one plump raspberry cow, aged eight years. She is of undoubted courage, and gives milk frequently. To a man who does not fear death in any form, she would be a great boon. She is very much attached to her present home with a stay-chain, but she will be sold to anyone who will agree to treat her right. She is one-fourth shorthorn and three-quarters hyena. I will also throw in a double-barrel shotgun, which goes with her. In May she usually goes away for a week or two, and returns with a tall red calf with wobbly legs. Her name is Rose. I would rather sell to a non-resident."

THE OLDEST NEWSPAPER.

The "Tehing Pao," which is the official gazette of Peking, and has just celebrated its thousandth anniversary, is the oldest newspaper in the world. Ever since its inception, a copy of each issue has been carefully preserved in the archives of the Peking Palace. Accuracy has always been the keynote of this paper, and in order to maintain its high standard, several journalists on its staff, in the past paid the penalty of mistakes with their lives. Dismissal and, at the worst, imprisonment, is the punishment meted out at present.

BY AEROPLANE TO CEMETERY.

An aviator, M. Deneau, who has a brother buried in a cemetery near Chartres, followed the general custom in France of visiting the graves of dead relatives on the eve of All Souls, but he did so in an aeroplane. He landed at a little place outside the burial ground, and went to his brother's grave, where he left some flowers. He then returned to his aeroplane and flew back to the aerodrome.

NO RED CROSS.

Among the nations of Europe Turkey is the only one which flies no Red Cross in time of war. Though a party to the Geneva Convention, Turkey has steadfastly refused to use the emblem of that Convention, the Greek Cross, to protect its sick and wounded in time of war. In place of the Cross, the Turkish Army Medical Corps make use of a red crescent on a white ground.

VESTRY CLERK 57 YEARS.

The death occurred at Wolverhampton of Mr. James Phillips, who was believed to be the oldest vestry clerk in the country. He was eighty years of age and had held the office since 1855. He had been for half a century honorary secretary of the Midland Temperance League, and for sixty years the treasurer of the Wolverhampton Temperance Society.

VALUABLE NECKLACE.

A pearl necklace belonging to the ex-Sultan Abdul Hamid has been sold in Paris for \$184,000. It is usually the man who was never a father that has the most advice to offer about child training. A man may lead a double life, but that doesn't entitle him to a double funeral.

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