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FISHER IS BRITAIN'S TOUGHEST OLD SEA DOG

He Believes Only in Efficiency for the Navy, Which He Reformed—He Has Seen Fifty Years of Active Service.

By Herbert Corey
London, Jan. 22.—Lord Charles Beresford discussed the sinking of the Formidable the other day. He said that this magnificent warship had been sacrificed by the stupidity of the English admiralty. He declared that she should not have been trusted in submarine-infested waters without an escort of destroyers to guard her.

Maybe he was right. Maybe he was wrong. In any event, it is another proof of the great gulf that is fixed between Beresford and "Jacky" Fisher, the first sea lord. They never did agree on anything. There is probably no topic in this world there is so small, modest, inconspicuous part of any topic on which these two great men cannot disagree. It is not merely because they detest each other. They cannot think a



ADMIRAL LORD FISHER.

life. And yet both men have been of tremendous value to the British navy.

Here is just a sample of the Beresford-Fisher inability to harmonize. Beresford believes that submarines will ultimately drive the dreadnought from the seas. They will at least greatly limit the effective field of the greater ships, he holds. He published a letter to that effect last spring, over which a tremendous howdy-do was raised. Fisher doesn't think that way at all. More than that—perhaps because Beresford favors submarines—Fisher thinks they are inhuman, hellish and unforgivable contrivances. Shortly after he had retired to what might have been a life of ease, if ease were possible to him, he made his position known.

"If there ever is a war," said he, "and I am in a position of responsibility, and my ships are attacked by a submarine, and we capture the crew of that submarine—I'll hang every damned man of it from the yardarm."

Well, there's a war and he is in a position of responsibility. One wonders if Fisher would make good on that promise if the opportunity came.

He Is Not Popular.

Because Fisher always had made good on promises. He is a hard man. He is a man of steel and steam. By no stretch of the imagination can he be considered a popular man in the navy. He is not even liked—not to say well liked. And yet a chorus of genuine thankfulness went up in England and in the navy when it was announced that Prince Louis of Battenberg had resigned his position as first sea lord and "Jacky" Fisher had taken his place. Because Battenberg was at best only a naturalized Briton, who had married into a naval family, and a job—almost good enough, perhaps, to deserve that job even without the marriage lines. But "Jacky" Fisher is one of the great men of all ages. He has done more for the British navy, perhaps, than any other man of the century.

Eleven years ago Fisher went to Whitehall for the first time as first sea lord. The British navy was then dusty, dry, and rule ridden. Englishmen will not like to read that statement. They didn't like it even in 1904, when Fisher made it. Part of the navy was possibly better than an equal section of any other navy. The remainder of it was impossible. The navy had been run by sons-in-law, dodos, and dodderers. The admiralty was a drydock in which needy relatives drew large salaries. Fisher blew them up and out. He got rid of the well-bred, well-connected, hopeless incompetents. In three months he "scrapped" 120 vessels. England had been carrying them on her navy lists as assets. Fisher said they could neither attack nor defend. They were a standing temptation to the enemy.

It was at this time that he issued his statement of his proposed policy in time of war—a policy which is strangely like the announced plan of his national enemy today. "The essence of war is violence," said he. "Moderation in war is imbecility."

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He Reformed Navy.

Fisher enforced the policy of which the strength of the British navy was brought from the Mediterranean. Since then 86 per cent. of Britain's sea strength has been based in the North Sea, just where it was needed when the test came. The ships of the first line were built in accordance with his conception of naval needs. He doesn't like submarines and torpedoes—but for all of his yardarm promises he developed submarines in his navy. He was the first of the great men to favor oil fuel. He chopped many of the aristocratic strings which had hampered his predecessors. He instituted a new plan of naval education, by which the budding officers were trained together for four years. Then and only then, were they turned into special lines. He planned the nucleus crews by which the naval review became valuable. He found the British navy impressive, but more or less inefficient, and he made it seaworthy to the last man and rivet. Then he tested it. The Russians had by mistake fired upon certain British fishermen off the Dogger Banks.

"Prepare for war," was the order Fisher flashed to every British ship. There was a world panic for a little while. From Constantinople to China, English sailors were drummed to quarters and the lashings thrown off the big guns. The stock markets of the world acted like hens in a dust bin. Speculators were ruined by the thousand. Margin-players committed suicide. There was a frightful outcry, which was redoubled when it was discovered that the alarm had been a needless one. Fisher had known all that time that it had been only a mistake by the Russians. He knew that war was not even faintly possible. But it had given him the chance he wanted, to find out whether his navy was ready.

"Every one usually knows all about a surprise order," he said grimly. "This time they didn't. They thought it meant business."

Stopped Looting.

They thought he wouldn't. They had influence—or some of them had—and influence is a great thing in any navy. Perhaps at that time it was especially great in the British navy. But he did. If every man and woman of title in the British Isles had gone down to him, he would still have court-martialed those erring officers. Looting abruptly passed from favor in the British navy. It will not occur while Fisher is in power.

Hard as he is, he delights in dancing. When he commanded a squadron he never made port that he did not contain some sort of an entertainment on board the flagship, if that were possible. He had a wide acquaintance among pretty women than any other seadog since Nelson. He was handy with pretty speeches, too. His habit, rugged, open-eyed face has never been considered handsome, but it has the charm of courage and straightforwardness. Women always liked him.

The classic story told of Lord John Fisher, of Kilverstone—the title dates from 1890—must be regarded. He doesn't fear any one, or reverence any one overmuch. He especially does not believe in naval alliances, or in executing manoeuvres with the fleet of a friendly power, or in any other naval thing except keeping continually on guard. So that he wasn't especially friendly to the Emperor of Austria, he asked him to "be very nice" to Admiral Gervais, who was at the moment visiting Portsmouth. But Fisher is well disciplined. He looked his sovereign right in the eye.

"Madame," said he, "if your majesty wishes, I'll kiss him."

How He Works.

Fisher is seventy-four years old, and has served in the navy more than fifty years, during which time he has had but six months of illness. He rises at five o'clock each morning, and gets to bed when he can. Those of his subordinates who are subject to personal enquiry from the old man rise at five o'clock in the morning and get to bed when they can. He works his men harder than any other naval officer ever dared to. If they break, he knows they are not fit for the service, and dismisses them from his mind. If they stand up to it he compliments them by giving them more work to do. It is not the way to create popularity. But it has created a great service.

For years a tradition was circulated that Fisher was the son of a Chinese princess and an officer of a Highland regiment. The latter half of the allegation is true. His mother, however, was an English woman, born in London town. A certain scarcity of manuevers which Fisher can show on occasion was accredited to his Eastern blood. It must now be accounted for on some other theory. It remains the fact that when he cannot get what he wants by force, he has often proven himself a fine tactician.

Fisher knows he isn't liked, and laughs at the fact. He doesn't believe that any tankmaster is ever liked. But it is certain that he is respected and admired—and obeyed. He does not tolerate anything short of obedience. There is a story of one of his captains who pleaded that it was impossible to give to a certain place on a certain day.

"You'll get under."

Fisher, "on the day I've ordered, or I'll have you towed there."

One of the traditions that died slowly in every navy concerned in the right to loot. Fisher never did believe in it. When Alexandria was captured he issued his orders, but they were widely disregarded by the Alexandrians. He sent firing parties ashore, and a handy wall and ball cartridge put an end to the native dissipation. Then Fisher discovered that English officers had been engaged in the forbidden pastime.

"I'll court-martial every thievish man of you," he swore.

The Liberals Are to Probe War Contracts

Ottawa, Feb. 4.—The Liberals evidently are preparing to probe into the militia contracts this session. J. H. Sinclair, of Guysborough, has already given notice of a half dozen questions, all bearing on the militia department, and the government's conduct of the war. One question will take a whole squad of clerks days of time to prepare.

It is possible the liberals may ask for a special committee to inquire into the militia contracts. The government will probably insist that all probing is done in the regular manner.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY

Newsy Paragraphs Picked Up By Our Busy Reporters

R. H. Toye is in Toronto.
Col. T. D. R. Hemming is in Ottawa.
Local dealers will not quote wheat prices, owing to the rapid changes.
The Portmouth rural mail carrier has been unable to deliver mail since Tuesday.
George Flemming, of Newboro, is spending a few days with friends in the city.
Gov. Father Wallace, Campbellton, N.B., is visiting at the Hotel Dieu for a few days.
Richard Clark, of the Queen's Engineers, is home from Ottawa on a few days leave of absence.
In the junior Y.M.C.A. hockey league, Leopards defeated Ponies by 4 to 3, and won the championship.
A number of Kingston Business College students were entertained at the home of Miss Madeline Sauve on Wednesday night.
On Thursday morning, Lucy Ann Truscott, wife of ex-Warden John Truscott, passed away at the residence of her son-in-law, George Aikins, Livingstone avenue.
Clarence Burdick, advance agent for a bright musical show, "School Days," is here making arrangements for this attraction at the Grand Opera House on Tuesday evening, Feb. 9th.

BOYS ROUNDED UP

Who Stole Hockey Sticks From Queen's Gymnasium.

Constable Samuel Arnie rounded up four boys in connection with the theft, a few days ago, of about a dozen hockey sticks from Queen's University gymnasium. Two of the lads admit having entered the building and implicate the other two, who declare they are innocent. The boys say that some other boys took the sticks out of their possession. It is likely the youngsters will be prosecuted. The lads after getting into the gymnasium, smashed open several of the lockers with a nut-cracker.

A Carload Of Cooking Onions.

February prices, ninety cents a bushel, a peck for a quarter or two cents a pound, at Carnovsky's.

The International Oil company, a subsidiary of the Imperial Oil company, has been formed to take an interest in two British-Peruvian oil corporations, and bring crude oil from Peru to Vancouver for distribution in western Canada.

After a year of operation, Ranfrev's fine hosiery hotel has been able, in spite of the business depression, to declare a dividend of four per cent. on \$65,000 stock, the shareholders only regretting that they did not erect a larger building.

Private Samuel Ashworth, of the 9th Battalion, and Private Basil Victor Jones, of the Army Service Corps, died of pneumonia at the Exhibition camp, Toronto.

All grades of sugar advanced ten cents per hundredweight in Toronto and Montreal yesterday and twenty cents in Winnipeg.

May wheat sold at 2.45 p.m. Thursday at 157½ in Winnipeg, and 164 in Chicago.

Health returns for January show that small-pox is prevalent in many parts of the province.

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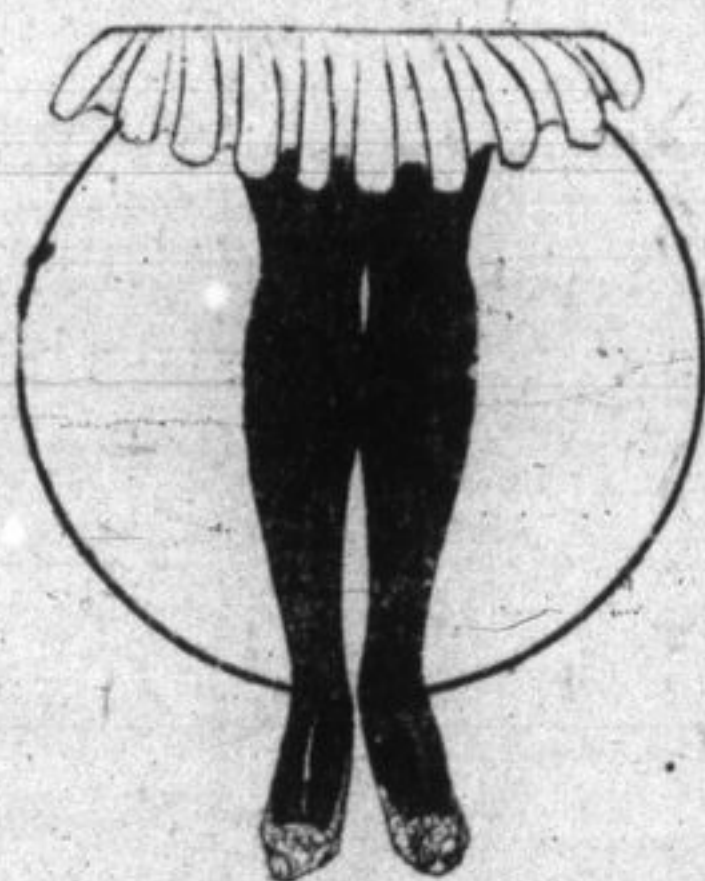
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