

ITS TRUST IN BRITAIN

Has Never Wavered, Says Russian Foreign Minister.

ITS CONTROL OF SEAS

IS THE GREATEST FEATURE OF THE WAR.

Talks Of Disarmament—Business At Moment Is Once and For All Time To Destroy Prussianism, the World's Greatest Curse.

London, Feb. 23.—The Daily Chronicle publishes an interview which its special correspondent in Petrograd has had with the Russian Foreign Minister, M. Sazonoff. Asked if the war would lead to disarmament or partial disarmament, M. Sazonoff replied:

"That depends entirely upon the extent of our victory. If Prussian militarism is destroyed, if that evil thing which has darkened all our lives for so many years is finally destroyed, as I most firmly believe it will be destroyed, then I think some measure of disarmament may be possible. It should be quite possible, for with England and Russia friends the rest of the world is safe. The peace of the world and the happiness of humanity are bound up with the friendship of England and Russia and I believe this friendship will be eternal."

The correspondent asked M. Sazonoff if there was any truth in the rumors which have reached England of Russia's dissatisfaction with British efforts in the war.

"None whatever," he replied. "The German propagandists may have tried to make a few ignorant people here dissatisfied, but did not succeed. We trust you absolutely. We know you hold the sea, and we know that while England holds the sea, Germany, who is the enemy of the human race, cannot win the war. I have said again and again in committees of the Duma, in the Imperial Council, and to my sovereign, that England and Russia together can secure the peace of the whole world, and I am sure of it. It is my supreme political conviction that England's hold of the sea is the greatest fact of the war. We know that fact in Russia, and we are perfectly satisfied."

The correspondent says: "When I came to ask M. Sazonoff whether, perhaps, we had not played into the hands of the war cause in Germany by our insistence, that we must crush Germany if we intended to invade and violate her territory," he said:

Prussianism Must Go.

"Our purpose is to destroy once and for all the greatest danger which ever menaced the human race. We shall fight on and shall never cease fighting until that menace is destroyed, and we cannot rest with a victory which would permit that menace to lift its head again. Our victory must be absolute. We must be free to live without continual fear of war. Things must be so settled by this war that the nations will feel themselves safe, and until German militarism is destroyed to its roots no nation can feel itself safe. Let the German people know I have not the least objection to that; that if they themselves like to destroy their militarism absolutely then the war will come to an end; but as for us, we shall never stop for one moment until we are satisfied that the curse of Prussianism is lifted from the human race."

Questioned as to dangers of an inconclusive peace, M. Sazonoff replied with great energy: "England, France

and Russia are responsible now for the future of Europe, which means the future of civilization, the fate of the world. We can and we shall destroy Prussianism. It may take a long time. We are prepared for that; there will be no inconclusive peace, no peace with a risk attached to it. Prussianism, which is a deadly poison, must be flung clean out of the human body. We dare not leave it there to work once more for the destruction of nations."

The correspondent told M. Sazonoff that in Scandinavia he encountered considerable fear and dislike of Russia and said the uneasiness of the Scandinavians would be sensibly relieved if they knew for certain that Russia was to occupy Constantinople.

"Well," said M. Sazonoff, "that is essential for us. It is essential for our trade."

M. Sazonoff concluded: "Russia desires with her whole heart and soul the peace of the world. It was the Emperor of Russia who proposed disarmament in the hope of saving mankind from this very catastrophe, and it was Germany who deliberately frustrated that noble intention. Well, let us hope that after this war is over we may find ourselves near to that noble ideal of a sovereign. Russians do not wait for war. They are fighting now to end war, and with England and Russia victorious in this war the peace of the world will be assured. I have no firmer faith than that."

PROTESTS AND RIOTS IN GERMAN CITIES

People Shout Down With Government at Demonstration Near Hamburg.

London, Feb. 23.—The Rotterdam correspondent of the Daily Mail says he has reliable information to the effect that rioting is increasing in Germany. He telegraphs: "Protest meetings, especially by women, continue to be held notwithstanding severe police measures. The most serious riot which has so far taken place in Germany occurred on the evening of Feb. 19th in Bergedorf, a suburb of Hamburg, where a women's meeting was held in front of the burgomaster's house in protest against the new fat regulations."

It developed into a big street demonstration, people shouting: 'Down with the Government!' 'The police, summoned from Hamburg, drove the screaming and struggling women into their homes after a street battle in which they were victorious.' A despatch from Zurich reports serious protests and riots in Hanover.

NEW LAKES CONCERN

HIGH FLEET COMPRISES VESSELS TAKEN OVER FROM RAILWAYS

Capital Is \$20,000,000—Buffalo Man Is Chairman Of The Board Of Directors.

New York, Feb. 24.—Organization of the Great Lakes Transit Company to control 85 per cent. of the passenger, packet freight and grain steamships navigating the Great Lakes is announced by Levy Mayer, Chicago, general counsel of the company, on behalf of W. J. Connors, Buffalo, elected chairman of the board of directors. The company's fleet will comprise thirty-five vessels with a freight capacity of 150,000 tons. The steamers were formerly owned by six railroad companies which were compelled to relinquish them under the section of the Panama Canal Act forbidding rail lines to own competing water routes.

The capitalization of the company, it was announced, will be \$20,000,000. Tariffs for through rail-and-water and west-bound traffic will be filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission by April 1st. The new rates, it was stated, will not differ from those which prevailed before lake navigation closed last December.

The company plans to overhaul all its vessels and to begin active operations April 1st with the transportation of 3,000,000 bushels of wheat from the head of Lake Superior to Buffalo. The principal operating offices will be in Buffalo.

The names of the men who will serve on the board of directors with Mr. Connors will be announced soon as the charter papers have been completed. James Carey Evans, now vice-president and general manager of the Anchor Line, whose boats the new company took over from the Pennsylvania Railroad, will be president. Other officers elected, all residents of Buffalo, are: Marvin M. Marois, vice-president in charge of finance; Harry Seymour Noble, vice-president in charge of traffic; Edwin T. Douglas, manager in charge of vessel operations; Meriton L. White, assistant to the president; W. E. Evans, auditor; L. W. Lake, general freight agent; F. A. Stanley, assistant general freight agent; Harry D. Hosmer, general passenger agent; R. M. Russell, secretary and treasurer.

Endowments for University. Buffalo, Feb. 24.—Endowments amounting to nearly \$1,000,000 were announced at the Washington Day celebration of the University of Buffalo to-day. These include \$500,000 from Mrs. Seymour H. Knox and \$225,000 from Gen. Edmund Hayes.

Macedonians Sentenced. Woodstock, Feb. 24.—Tony Christ and George Chris, two Macedonians from Hamilton, were sentenced to two years in penitentiary for brutally assaulting and robbing another foreigner at Beachville on January 13th. The men secured \$240. The victim is still in the hospital, suffering from the punishment he received.

B. R. Hopburn, will likely be made a major in the Canadian Foresters' Battalion.



The Four Real Medicines

The Pictorial Review for March, Dr. Frank Crane in the Pictorial Review for March, 1916.

The disease of civilization is the house putting the American Indians, for instance, in houses instead of tents killed them off faster than the bullets of the white man.

Looking over the list of marvelous inventions in this ingenious era, such as telephones, talking-machines, typewriters, sewing-machines, printing presses, vacuum cleaners, and coffee-percolators, you may note that most of them are for use by house-inhabitants. They increase the efficiency, comfort, and bacilli in stuffy rooms and steam-heated offices.

The distinguished exception is the automobile. It is an outdoor device. It implies fresh air. It connotes ozone. It means sun, wind, and red blood.

It is hard to overvalue fresh air. Its effects are far-reaching, ramifying in sandy and vapor to the most unsuspected cells of human activity. It permeates even to religion; for doubtless what was the matter with many of the cruel creeds and fierce fanaticisms of a former day was that they were concocted in close rooms; bad air in the council chamber affected in auto-da-fies in the cathedral square. People that ride in automobiles could not thumbscrew heretics.

There are but four real medicines in the bag of old Dr. Medicatrix Nature: they are Air, Sun, Water, gets you somewhere. Time was that it took you all day to go out to Uncle Eben's farm, twenty miles away; now you whisk out there in an hour.

When father had a surly and a claybank mare the best we could do for a ride was to poke about the city. Our seven miles an hour wore out the whip. Now the family and some of the neighbors pile themselves into your car and you are among the woods and hills in a few minutes.

The horse is a noble animal, but the bucket of gasoline under the buggy seat has relegated him to the circus and the park bridle-path. As a pleasure locomotor he is out of date.

No time is the motor more appreciated than in the spring. Nature is beginning her shy advances. Her violets and spring-beauties and crocuses call city-souls with an irresistible love-making. The woods are greening, strange new birds are whistling, the grass is growing, fuzzy catkins are nodding, buds are swelling, the yeast, strong, sweet creative sap of nature is mounting, and God's we are homesick for sun-swept

FRIENDS OF ALLIES

REASONS FOR SYMPATHY WITH GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

Diplomatic Tangles—Viscount Bryce Refers To End-Of-War Problem Before World.

Paris, Feb. 24.—Viscount Bryce, who heads the British delegation of twenty-five members of both Houses of Parliament to the Anglo-French Parliamentary Committee which is to hold meetings here, has given an interview to the Paris Journal.

"The situation in the United States is much too complicated and changes too quickly from day to day," he said, "for me to be able to form any conjectures as to the manner in which events concerning the

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PITH OF NEWS.

Despatches From Near And Distant Places.

Twenty-five Zeppelins have been destroyed in battles in the air since the beginning of the war. A mutiny in Hungarian and Bosnian regiments near Durazzo was quelled by Maxim gunfire.

Premier Scott of Saskatchewan promised a Royal Commission to investigate alleged theft of road money. The late J. B. Smallman, London, bequeathed \$200,000 to Western University, and large sums to other institutions.

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Albert Armstrong, Yerburgh, Unionist member of parliament for Chester, Eng., has resigned. Ill-health is given as the reason.

Lucy Duffy, 17 Seaton street, Toronto, committed suicide following a political conviction on a charge of keeping a disorderly house.

Fire broke out at a little after three a.m. Wednesday in the British steamer Arracan, in St. John harbor, just as she was ready to sail.

Monday next has been fixed for the discussion in Parliament of Harry Stevens' resolution calling for federal prohibition as a war measure.

The Finance Minister is contemplating some important amendments to his original proposals with regard to the taxation of business profits.

Gunner James Marshall, 29th Battery, Guelph, who deserted last December, was sentenced by court-martial to six months' hard labor in the county jail.

Major Perry G. Goldsmith, Toronto, was promoted to lieutenant-colonel and appointed to the staff of the Canadian Eye and Ear Hospital in Folkestone, England.

German newspapers print despatches from Italy stating that a Japanese fleet has arrived safely in the Mediterranean Sea, together with a great number of aircraft.

Canada is to raise a company, at the request of the War Office, a woodmen's battalion, for service in Great Britain, companies to be drawn from the chief lumbering regions of the Dominion.

The fall of Erzerum will have a great effect on public opinion in the Balkans. Greece seems to be swinging in favor of the Allies, who are daily receiving reinforcements at Salonika, and strengthening their positions.

INDESTRUCTIBLE UNITY.

Whatever Happens, France and Britain Will Fight To Finish.

Paris, Feb. 24.—The Anglo-French Parliamentary Committee began its session yesterday. Viscount Bryce, head of the British section addressed the French delegates, over whom former Premier Clemenceau presided. He said there would be no separate peace among the warring powers, nor any compromise. He characterized the meetings as definitely proof of the indestructible unity of the Entente Allies.

M. Clemenceau said that some such evidence of Anglo-French accord had been long awaited. He said the French and British people would live in a union which would be unbroken, and that whatever might happen, these two nations would continue the war to the end.

REVOLT'S ISSUE SEIZED.

U.S. Postal Authorities Take Exception To N. Y. Publication.

New York, Feb. 24.—Revolt, an anarchist weekly published by the Revolt Publishing Association at 63 East 107th street, has come under the ban of the postoffice authorities. The entire issue for the week was seized by order of the superintendent of second-class mail.

It was confiscated on the plea that it incited to violence in some of its writings; and another ground of criticism was that some parts were obscene.

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MAKES GIFT TO RUSSIA

Canadian Salvation Army Gives Five Ambulances.

WHICH ARE DEDICATED

AT SERVICE IN ENGLAND BY GEN. BRAMWELL BOOTH.

Sir George Perley and Lord Mayor of London Praise Salvationists—Russian Journalists Visit England.

London, Feb. 23.—The public dedication and presentation to Russia by General Bramwell Booth of the ambulance cars subscribed by the Salvation Army in Canada coincided with the arrival of a small group of Russian journalists who have come to study conditions in England. Count Benckendorff, the Russian ambassador, was unable to be present, but the Russian consul, in accepting Canada's gift, spoke of the unbreakable bonds of friendship set up between Russia and the British Empire.

Sir George Perley, in his tribute to the Salvation Army, pointed out that the gift was entirely the result of the officers and members of the army in Canada. He also alluded to the presence of many Russians in Canada, and to the fact that some were fighting in the Canadian contingents.

The Guildhall was crowded when the procession, including the five motor ambulances, arrived at the portico. The Lord Mayor received a warm handshake on the platform from the General when he declared that he had been a friend of the late General William Booth in the days of the Army's unpopularity.

General Booth described the gift as from one of the Empire's fairest daughters to her mother's friend. "It has been a feature of our work," he said, "to assist men and women in poor circumstances here to go out to Canada to better their condition. That work had been very useful. We were building perhaps better than we thought when we see thousands of those men whom we sent from poor circumstances here volunteering for the defence of the Empire. These ambulances have been contributed in no small proportion by the very men and women whom in the past ten years we assisted into better circumstances in Canada."

General Booth finished his speech by handing the British Red Cross treasurer £2,000 from English Salvationists for five ambulances on the same lines as Canada's gift.

MASONS IN KHAKI.

Soldiers Initiated and Raised in Canada Lodge.

London, Feb. 24.—Last night's gathering of Canada Lodge, A. F. & A. M., showed that while English Masonry is suffering from a dearth of candidates owing to military demands, the Canadian Craft in England is benefitting by the presence of Dominion troops. Four new candidates from Canada, all in khaki, were initiated, and three were raised, while two were admitted as joining Dominion members, the latter being Lieut.-Col. Gunn, of the 24th Battalion, Montreal, and W. M. Burrows, of Winnipeg. Capt. the Rev. A. F. Stanford, chaplain of the 24th Battalion and member of the Lodge, presided, in replying to the toast of "Our Visitors," made an eloquent speech on the good work being done by Canada Lodge. G. MacLaren Brown presided, in the absence of Worshipful Master Gurney, who is on service in Egypt.

WEAMES TO DIGNIFY TRENCHES.

Lord Mayor's Footman Given a Month of Grace.

New York, Feb. 24.—A London cable to the Tribune says: Weames, the dignified, gold-braided Lord Mayor's footman, may soon lose some of his plumed fuffing and dodging bombs in the trenches. To-day the Lord Mayor asked the city tribunal to postpone the calling up of his footman, and obtained a month's grace on the ground that Weames' capabilities made him invaluable for recruiting at the Mansion House and that he could not be replaced.

Weames is so robust and calm, however, that it is thought he will soon don the khaki.

SEPARATE SCHOOL FIGHT.

Motion To Have Salary Cases Heard By Supreme Court.

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—Notice of a motion to transfer 133 Division Court cases for teachers' salaries to the Supreme Court of Ontario has been served by John J. O'Meara, acting on behalf of the Ottawa Separate School Commission. The ground of the motion is that the actions are fit ones to be tried in the Supreme Court. The total amount involved in these actions is \$61,842.

The motion is returnable on Tuesday, February 29th, before a Judge in Chambers at Osgoode Hall, Toronto.

Policies Will Be Reinsured.

Winnipeg, Feb. 24.—Justice Prager signed an order approving the reinsurance of Prudential Life policies by the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada. R. T. Riley has been appointed liquidator for the Prudential Company. The reinsurance agreement has also the approval of the Dominion Insurance Superintendent and the Manitoba Insurance Department.

REACH SETTLEMENT.

Russian Mails Held At Gothenburg Will Be Forwarded.

Stockholm, Feb. 24.—It is reported in well informed circles here that an arrangement of the trouble between Sweden and Great Britain regarding Atlantic parcel post traffic will soon be completed. It is also understood that the British-Russian parcel mail, held up by Sweden and now stored at Gothenburg, will be released as soon as the Swedish-American Line steamship Stockholm, now en route to New York, has passed the British Isles.

No confirmation can be found of the rumor that Sweden has requested the United States to join in a protest against Great Britain's action in seizing mail matter. At the American Legation here it is stated that the rumor is regarded as unfounded.

TO PROHIBIT HALIFAX.

Bill Introduced In Nova Scotia Legislature.

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 24.—At yesterday's sitting of the House of Assembly, Howard W. Corning, Conservative member for Yarmouth, introduced a bill to extend the provisions of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act so as to bring the city of Halifax also under prohibition.

Mr. Tanner tabled a question as to whether the Government intends to introduce legislation to enable Canadians serving at the front to vote at the approaching provincial elections.

PISTOL DUEL KILLS TWO.

Daughter Shot To Death As Parents Fight.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 24.—Fourteen-year-old Geneva Hall was shot to death during a pistol duel between her mother and father in their home. The father, Joseph T. Hall, forty-four, also was killed, and the mother, Mrs. Della Hall, 37, is in a hospital in a dying condition. She received four bullet wounds. The girl was struck by a stray bullet as she crouched under a kitchen sink.

TOWN FIRED BY TURKS.

Vouria, On Gulf Of Smyrna, Was Completely Destroyed.

New York, Feb. 24.—A News Agency despatch from Athens, says: Turkish authorities, for some unaccountable reason, set fire to the town of Vouria, on the Gulf of Smyrna (about 20 miles west of Smyrna) largely inhabited by Greeks, according to despatches received here today. Greek residents had been warned several days in advance and were taken off by Greek ships. The town was completely destroyed.

All Around Proxy.

A matron was confiding her domestic troubles to a friend. "I find," she said, "that my husband has charged some one in his office with the duty of calling me up every afternoon to mumble terms of endearment. That's a pretty way to treat one's wife, isn't it? He's been spending his afternoons at the club. "How was it," asked the friend, "that you didn't at once notice that it wasn't his voice that called?" "Well," explained the aggrieved wife, "I've been pretty busy with bridge every day, and I've been having the maid answer the 'phone."

Saskatchewan Has Deficit.

Regina, Feb. 24.—Estimated revenue for the province for the coming fiscal year is \$6,846,225 and the estimated expenditure \$8,529,478, leaving a deficit of \$1,683,248, according to the estimates brought down in the house by George Bell, provincial treasurer.

Bulgaria Apologizes.

Athens, Feb. 24.—The Bulgarian Government has made apologies to the Greek Government for the arrest of a diplomatic messenger and the seizure of Legation documents while the messenger was on his way from Constantinople to Athens.

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