ARMENIA'S DREAM TO BECOME NATION

Unquenchable Are Aspirations of Volunteers Who March With Russians to Victory-Promise of Freedom-Rewarded With Massacre For Loyalty-Armenians Claim New Birthright

known and appalling details concern- Armenians to pass resolutions urging bungling or slipshod methors there. ing the massacres in Armenia. Na- their brothers in the Russian Cauca- Everything makes for efficiency, varriantz said the number of victims sus to organize an insurrection in everywhere you find the most wonderhas not been exaggerated and proof case of war between Turkey and Rus- ful organization. Things run on well has been secured showing that the sia. The Armenians not only refused oiled ball bearings. government not only gave its con- but warned the Young Turk party sent but aided the Young Turk party that intervention in the conflict would to carry out the massacres.

"It was when our brothers in the Young Turks' wrath. Caucasus joined the Russian army advancing toward Van, that the Young Turk party began to suspect th Armenian population in Turkey of treason and decided on its destruction in order to prevent an hypothetical insurrection," he said. "The Armenian oldiers who were serving in the regular Turkish army operating in the Caucasus were immediately disarmed and sent in the interior to build roads and fortifications. Massacres began right after that in every Armenian town. The male members of the community, from the age of twelve up, were gathered in the pub-He square or in front of the church and shot dead under the eyes of their terrified mothers, sisters or wives." Young Turks Guilty

Conclusive proof that the Young our demands at the next peace con-Turks' crime was perpetrated with gress, and we have reasons to believe the consent of the government was the other nations will not oppose found in the residency of the Gover- them. Several years ago Russia prenor of Koms, where a venty Turkish pared a project to grant to Armenia gendarmes had been sent to carry out a large measure of autonomy. The the massacre of the local Armenian six Armenian provinces, Erzerum, population. Turkey will once more Djarbekir, Kerput, Sivas, Bitlis, and with anything like it in quality or plead an excuse that Armenians were Van were to be united under the planning to take advantage of the sovereignity of a governor appointed rations, the so-called iron rations, and European conflagration to rise by the Sultan and controlled by the against Turkish rule and secure auto- Christian powers of Europe. To-day nomy. Enver Pasha will once more this is no longer sufficient. state that the Armenian population must be added to these provinces and assisted the Russians advancing to Armenia given an outlet to the sea. wards Van. But nothing is more ab- In 1913 the project was rejected owsurd and untrue.

The beginning of the European con- This time we hope; the project will flict coincided with the annual meet- be approved."

from Brighton, England. The life

being trained in their new duties:

and recently an excellent launch was

made of the lifetcat, almost entirely

by women-mothers still in their

prime and their girls in their early

teens working tide by side with

the history of the lifeboat service wo-

lendid results. Not infrequently in

her helping to launch the boat

FOR THE RED CROSS

Fancy Prices at London Auction Room

For Royal Gifts

The first day of the Red Cross

Treasure Sale in London realized

\$25,050 Messrs. Christic's rooms were

well filled all the afternoon, many

well known people being present. The

highest price was 850 guineas, for a

ine old Louis XV. marqueterie com-

mode, the gift of Miss Pickersgill.

realized for the large panel of richly

y the King and sold for 200 guineas.

A lacquer cabinet, in black, gold, and

red the gift of Mrs. Adair, sold for

ing bracket clock for 200 guineas.

Other gifts of Mrs. Adair realized 360

guineas, and a beautiful piece of Chin-

ese eggshell china brought 180 guineas.

Testimonial to Belgium

wealthy men of several European na-

ed during the conflict.

A proposal has been made by

one to build in Beigium at the close of the war a garden city as a testiontal of the world to the valor of that nation, and as some contribution coward replacing the p'aces destroy.

Colonels Edmund J. Phipps-Hornby. C. and Herbert K. Jackson were

orated Chinese embroidery given

neas, and an old English chim-

The next highest was 390 guineas.

ing the ships.

BRITISH ARE BEST IN MILITARY SYSTEM

No Bungling in France Where Soldiers Are Wonderfully Well Cared For-Correspondent Amazed

Viggo Toepfer, a correspondent of a United States press agency, writes: A visit to the British front is like an Camillo Cianfara writes: Hrand ing at Erzerum of the Dacknacktsout- bath on a sultry day. The moment ioun, the Armenian national associa- you enter the British military zone. tion. The Young Turk party sent you feel that you have come to a new emissaries to Erzerum to invite the and virile country. There are no

Happy and Popular Tommy cause Turkey's utter ruin. Hence the The most perfect discipline rules, but there is no bullying, no loud shoute! ing of orders of command. During my entire visit I failed to discover among "The price Armenia paid for her the ten thousands of Tommies a single loyalty was more than a million men, surly or dissatisfied face. Officers and women and children deliberately mur- men alike are beloved by the popudered. The Armenian population has lation, whom they all treat in the recalled at; last that the victory of most considerate manner. I found the Russian is their victory and two hun- whole military zone, outside the area dred thousand Armenian volunteers of actual fighting, a perfect Arcadia. are in the rank and file of the Rus-One of the reasons of Tommy's hapsian army of the Caucasus. This is piness and good humor is undoubtedly Armenia's Holy War, a new crusade the ideal manner in which his material wants are catered to. His food Speaking of the Armenian national is excellent and undoubtedly he gets aspiration, Navarriantz said: "We rely considerably more variety than he for protection on the liberal and Chris- was used to at home. I am certain tian nations of the world. What we that his boarding house mistress will now want is our freedom, our inde- have a hard time of it when he returns

Rations Excellent

pendence under the protecorate of trying to feed him in the manner to

England, France, Italy and Russia. which he has grown used to in the

The paternal military authorities matches and tobacco. As for bread, he gets an ample quantity. My own London baker does not supply me taste. I also sampled the emergency while they are ideal in their compactness, I felt that I could live and fight a whole month or more on them, and be none the worse for it.

I think with a shudder of the hard tack and canned meat on which was fed while a volunteer in the Spanish-American War. But I heard that the quality of the canned meat supplied by our American packers in this war is everything that could be desired. The way the British military authorities have organized and are providing for these millions of volunteer soldiers is beyond praise. The American war department could learn a great many things here. Especiallyin the way of economy, for nothing is wasted. The immense repair shops at the British bases, where clothes, boots, harness and everything up to heavy guns are repaired are worth Each Takes No More Than a Sip- the problem of how to stop the declintravelling thousands of miles to see.

CARRYING HAND-GRENADES

Grenade fighting has become of the utmost importance in modern trench warfare, and there are a dozen varie-How, gentlemen, have these Germans. In a charge the grenadeframe of normal life been so broken and carry their grenades in special bags or panniers. Each man has two panniers strapped round him. The panniers are made of strong canvas, and hold ten or a dozen grenades. These grenades, by the way, have each a long piece of webbing attach- had been filled the night before and ed to them, which unrolls when the missile is thrown, and causes the grenade to fall head downwards and

> British Steel Helmets Superior British steel helmets, states Dr. Ad-



THE WOUNDED BOCHE

"He is wounded in the head, and they can't extract the bullet." "That's not surprising. When they once get anything into their heads yo can't get it out!"-De Armengol in Le Pêle-Mêle (Paris).

Everyone knows the part which Krupp's plays in equipping Germany and her allies with munitions, but how many are aware that the money with which the great firm was placed on a sure foundation, if not actually founded, came from Birmingham? Al-Dr. Siemens to Messrs. Elkington and Mason, electro-platers, the predecessors of the present firm of Elkington & Co. He offered to them a machine which he had invented for rolling the metal "blanks" from which spoons and forks are made. Eventually he sold this to the firm for \$50,000. With the money thus acquired Krupp proceeded to Essen and laid the foundation of the great fortune he afterwards acquired.

HAMENOOL

Chaplain's Pride

An English chaplain writing to a London paper, says: There is a scene be forgotten. A battalion attacking clined since 1900. Had it remained would bestow upon the same delicate just in front of us had suffered awful casualties, and for hours in a continuous stream the wounded are inhabitants than she actually has. brought in or crawl in, all parched suffering. In response to a request evil must be fought and a remedy as required. Theirs and the stokers' to the Sergeant-Major for water to give be found, they differ as widely in re- is almost not quite the hardest part these poor fellows, the appalling an gard to the reasons to which they of the whole grim drama of a naval swer comes: "We have not a drop of attribute the evil and, in regard to battle, for they are absolutely cut off water in the ambulance." Can you imagine a more ghastly tate of affairs in the circumstances?

"We were at our wit's end to deal with the situation and meet the heartbreaking cries for water that met us on all sides, while waiting for the return of the messengers sent with an urgent request to the nearest M.L.O. Then it suddenly occurred to me that my lown water bottle was full, as it not touched. I rushed to bring it, and proceeded to dole it out in a cup. As I handed the cup to each of the wounded men, I said: "Look here, old fellow, there is only a very little water deavor to limit the number of their here, and you must only take enough The death of Lord Quenington, the to wet your lips and rinse out your

the aristocracy have sacrificed to remove a cup of water from one's has expressed his admiration of them cup, telling him the state of affairs, his life. and immediately he said, "Oh, there are plenty want it worse than me;

THE LEOPARD'S SPOTS

Huns Treated Prisoners After Own Fashion Centuries Ago

The particulars of the brutality with which Germans treat prisoners of war may be compared with the following passage from Froissart (ed. Luce, Vol. v., p. 289): "For Inglish and Gascons are of such condition that they put a knight or a squire courteously to ransom; but the custom of the Germans, and their courtesy is of no such sort bitherto. I know not how they will do henceforth-for hitherto they

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Decline in Birth Rate is Aggravated mans penetrated the British line. The the guns at Verdun, gigantic as it is,

Germany, to a neutral paper as fol- vaders. A sergeant went about re- keep piling up despite the frightful lows: German thrift and energy may assuring the men and led a counter- and voracious battle which is devourwin back the billions of marks lost attack against the surviving Germans ing steel by hundreds of thousands of in the war, but a danger is gnawing with the bayonet, over the shell- tons. Guns are being turned out and fred Krupp came to Birmingham at the very heart of the German pounded earth, close quick work in batteries renewed with a rapidity people—the birth rate is dwindling and which the Irish excel, according to which responds to all the necessities German professors and social econom- the accounts of the men here. So of the combat, and the motor transists have argued for years, referring far as is known no German escaped port service has met all the demanda to France, that a declining birth rate death or capture. is the infallible sign of the decadence Such a successful repulse and well- our countless machine guns that we of a people. So far the number of planned attack by the Irish at this have shattered the onslaught of the births in Germany is higher than the juncture thrilled the whole of the Germans." number of deaths, but for years the army. It was at the time of Casesurplus has been steadily decreasing. ment's landing in Ireland. Altogether The danger is approaching, slowly, three clouds of gas were loosed inexorably, step by step. Unless against the Irish and on the brigade something extraordinary happens the adjoining, which showed equal galmoment will come when the popula- lantry, while change of wind forced tion of Germany will cease to grow. | the Germans to evacuate some of their

During the war, when more than a front trenches. million of German young men, prospective fathers, have lost their lives on the shambles of the battlefields, ing birth rate looms up larger than ever. You hear it discussed everywhere. Aside from the war, Germany would have had 560,000 more births before my mind's eye that will never annually if the birth rate had not de battleship with all the care that they as it was then Germany to day would yet mighty mechanism in time of

> that married people, dreading to see around them. their offspring become part of the increasing proletariat, should enchildren.

K.'S "ALLEGED" JOKE,

Lord Kitchener is immensely pleased with the work of the New Zealanders and Australians in the war, and was in New Zealand that his lordship made one of the very few jokes of

When "K. of K." was in New Zealand he was taken to see a remarkable give it to them," and he refused to cave by a pretty Maori girl who acted as his guide. She informed him that if a Maori wants to insult anyone he calls him by the name of some kind of food. Once a certain Maori chief told another that he was roast veal and then fearing vengeance he fled to this particular cave where, however; he was followed and killed by his grossly insulted enemy.

with great interest. "Ah!" he ex- general has been expected for some the man who threw the first bomb claimed, stroking his moustache with time past," says an English military on London, or to some wounded aviaone of his rare smiles, "then I suppose it would be highly dangerous to call corps are in fine fighting trim, and acorns in the forest and selling them.

King's Busy Life dent at the front; King George has have had ngither pity nor mercy on thrown himself wholeheartedly into the under the line of the lowerness Terri-Christian gentlemen who fall into the affairs of the nation. The aver- torial Forces Association." their hands as prisoners, but lay on age person has little idea of what them ransoms to the full of their the labors of King George entail. them ransoms to the full of their estate and even beyond, and put them in chains, in irons, and in close prison like thieves and murderers; and all to extort the greater ransom."

Five centuries have made little change in the conduct of the English and French—or of the Germans—with regard to the treatment of prisoners of war.

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France's War Material Multiplies Amazingly

GAS AND SHELL STORM CANNOT DAUNT IRISH

Frederick Palmer writes from British headquarters, France, as follows: "We would like to have Casement along here and give him a taste of the London Daily Mail as follows: the German gas," said the Irish sol- Hindenburg, addressing his troops on tack on the British front since December, 1915. This, the sixteenth, known as the Irish division, with Irish officers and an Irish general, has been recruited from all parts of the marshal evidently intended this dec Nationalist Ireland since the war be- laration for home consumption. He is gan. While holding a trench for the too well informed to believe it himfirst time they got their baptism of self, in view of the humiliating fire in a deluge.

One of the main points of attack dun. If further proof were needed is a chalk pit salient in the Loos re that France is far from weakening gion, held by the Dublin Fusiliers, all but is growing daily more formidable. of whom were recruited from Dublin one has only to consult a report to and Inniskilling. A heavy artillery the Budget Commission of M. J. L. bombardment and a big cloud of gas Dumesnil, deputy for Seine-et-Marne started here at five thirty in the morn. He had just returned from a minute ing, the wind being right. The com- inspection of the munition factories bination of gunfire and gas is the His tour embraced workshops in the hardest test for the troops in their first action.

attackers in the south were unable to live effort that a people has ever acget through the barb wires. Here complished." the Irish, who had stuck to their trenches, killed and wounded by rifle fire, nearly every German before they comes every day a more immense ar could retire. On the north side, where senal. We can look with confidence the gunfire had destroyed the wire to the future. The hour of destiny and wrecked the trenches, the Ger- will find us ready. The appetite of Irish fell back to a support trench, caanot keep pace with the shells waitwhere a machine gun commanding ing to be consumed. Our stocks of A Correspondent writes from Berlin, the position was turned on the in- heavy and light artillery munitions

During a sea fight the engine room men tend the great engines of a have had nearly three million more peace, roaming listlessly, yet with a definite purpose, around the engine Unimous as legislators and social room with oil cans in hand, bestowwith thirst from the pain they are economists are in agreeing that the ing drops of lubricant here and there conservative classes and their repre- of it by the quivering of their ship sentatives in the legislatures are de- as the great turrets over their heads nouncing what they call the increas. fire or as the enemy's shells thud ing lack of moral, among the middle against the armor or when some stray classes and among high society, whose shot finds its way through the steel women refuse to fulfil their most | wall and the bunkers to the boilers. sacred duty towards their country- Such an event blends a whole stoke- Italy is Using it Against the Austhat of becoming mothers. The so- hold in one frenzied orgy of deathcial democrats, on the other side, death by exploding shell; death by maintain that the problem is an awful wounds from burning coals, or economic, not a moral, one and say death by scalding, hissing, blinding that nothing is more natural than steam as the water tubes burst all perhaps one of the strangest is the

GERMAN SPY'S ERROR

Wore Colonel's Uniform, All Correct But Cap

teries, who is back from the front certain number of enemy troops on a few days' leave, says that they These artificially produced avalanches caught a German spy. He was dressed are particularly useful in destroying in the uniform of a British colonel, railways and roads and preventing the and was moving around inside our movements of the troops. It is estilines, as large as life, asking where mated that besides the tremendous certain battalions were located, about damage to property, the Austrians the situation of various camps, and have lost 1,000 men by this means. for other helpful particulars. Early in the course of his activities, a man was told off to watch him, and after his little game had been revealed he was taken prisoner, and duly disposed of next morning. For you see there had been one tiny flaw in his beautiful get-up as a British colonel, and that was the fact that he was wearing a Tommy's cap!

Lord Lovat's Corps

Lord Kitchener distened to the story motion to the rank of brigadierexpert. "Lovat's and Tullibardine's tor. We made the money collecting contain the pick of Scotland's manhood of all classes of society. Besides being colonel of his two regiments of scouts, Lord Lovat is honorary colonel of the Fourth (Territorial) Battalion

Output of Shells, Machine Guns and Cannon of all Sorts Keeps Rising-The Old High Records Smashed - Marvellous New Howitzer-No Strikes.

W. L. McAlpin writes from Paris to the occasion of his army jubilee, made the astounding statement, "The enemy's strength is wearing out and final victory will be ours." The field verses the Germans suffered at Verdistricts of Lyons, St. Etienne, Tulle, and the Chatellerault and Paris region. The Germans sent an infantry at. He is filled with enthusiasm at what tack on either side of the salient. The he described as "the mightiest crea-

> Await Hour of Destiny "Industrial France," he says, "be

> > Rifles Seven-told

According to M. Dun'esnil, France is turning out rifles at the rate of seven to one compared with 1915. In eight months the daily output of machine guns increased five-fold, and shells are being manufactured from three to six times more rapidly than in 1915. In some artillery workshops production increased twenty-fold and similar results are being obtained in supplying explosives, barbed wire, and other accessories. The latest riumph of French engineers is a new 16-inch howitzer which it said to be in all respects equal to the giant German howitzer of similar dimensions.

Senator Henry Berenger, discussing the military situation, asserts that it is impossible for Fiance henceforth to lack any of the necessaries of war. "The country is now producing less with a view to repair wastage than to workmen, the industrial strength of the remedies which they suggest. The from the fight, and are only cognizant France is being utilized to the utmost, and the patriotism of French workmen does the rest.

THE LATEST WEAPON

trian Troops

There have been many extraordinary weapons used in this war, but use of the avalanche as a weapon of offence. This has already been done on the Italian front. Italian troops reach the summit of a mountain, and below them in the valley lie the Austrian armies. The Italians place land mine deep in the earth, explode it, and a terrific avalanche is the London Opinion says: A young of result, which hurtles down the mounficer in one of our machine gun bat- tain side, completely blotting out a

Little Hunnesse

After one of the successful attacks of the German air fleet on England six little girls in Schleswig-Holstein. the oldest one of whom is eleven years old, sent two dollars and the following letter to Count Zeppellin: "Dear Count:-Will you accept our little gift of eight marks as an expression of our joy over the deeds of your airships? We know that you have plenty "Lord Lovat's well-deserved pro- of money and do not need our few pennies, but you may give them to

Candid to Princess

An amusing confession was made by the Princess Royal. She told an not bring herself to tell her guests to go to bed. "Well, ma'am,"

Over 2,000 actors are at the front

men have given help in emergencies in the launching; and we all remember having heard of Grace Darling. the Northumbrian maiden of one-and

ral Journal twenty, who alone assisted her father.

Commenting on the landing of Rusmovements of troops over the world's

ing to Germany's opposition to it

OLD EUROPE GOES

Reward of Honest Warning

against her unrelenting enemy."

The latter has promised to support trenches.

Party Lines Broken by Crisis, Observes Great Roumanian Women have, indeed, an opportunity now of showing what they can do, and M. Take Jonescu, in the Roumanian wonderfully are they rising to the Parliament said: "In other countries occasion. The latest new idea hails this extraordinary gravity has caused the frame in which normal life was conducted to fall asunder. Thus you

boat, of course, lives in a house well above highwater mark, and to transhave seen in Belgium a Socialist lead port it to the edge of the waves and er, Vandervelde, enter a Catholic govlaunch it through the stormy breakers in case of need is a considerable unernment; a Socialist in whose words King Albert reposed complete condertaking. In ordinary times there are fidence when he opposed the miserable always a body of fishermen and shoreinvasion of his country. The same workers available to lend a hand in in France, where we see, side by side, all this work. But now these stalwart Combes and the Catholic Cochin fellows are no longer on the beach. where on the same ministerial bench Some are in the army or the navy: are to be found the moderates of yesothers are engaged in land employterday, and the uncompromising So fighting and for firing from rifles. ment; and though the l'feboat's crew remain ready for their dangerous and land protected from all invested whenever there is an attack by either sorely-needed task, the launching land, protected from all invasions by side a number of men are specially the sea, in England, the very home told off as grenade-throwers. These of party politics, we find Unionists, men are trained to throw their gren-The Brighton Committee have called Liberals and members of the Labor ades quickly and accurately, and keep upon the wives, sisters and daughters of the boat's crew to come to their party co-operating in the same Cabi steady showers bursting among the rescue; and the women have responded in their full strength. They are

things been possible? Why has the modes of action? Because events are of such importance as to make it impossible for them to fit into old formulas.

LAUDS SILENT FLEET

Greatest Force of War, Says a Neut- so ensure explosion.

a lighthouse-keeper, in a wonderfully sian troops at Marseilles, the well dangerous rescue from a wreck, her known Spanish newspaper, El Liberal. said: "We see here the action of the That was a more than common exgreatest force of this war—the British ploft; but much courage and endurfleet. Its silence and invisibility have ance will be called for from Brighton induced many to believe it inactive. women if they have to launch the lifeboat in the teeth of a gale. Brighton But it is the great connecting nerve Gas Company is also employing wo of the allied powers. Thanks to men laborers; and the Liverpool dock- there are English soldiers in France ers alone prevent women from unload. French and English soldiers at Saloniki, and Russians in France, By the German fleet is shut up and re duced to impotence. The exploits of German submarines appear child's play when one thinks of their powerlessness to prevent these, gigantic

from Prussia.

Peer's Heirs Die only son and heir of Lord and Lady mouth. St. Aldwyn, who was killed at the Each man, without exception, put front, removed the forty-ninth heir the cup to his lips, took one small to a peerage and the eighth member mouthful, and then passed it on to of the House of Commons since the the next. It is difficult for anyone who war began. This is further proof of has not experienced it, to realize the the willingness with which members self-denial and self-control necessary lives in their country's cause. The lips when consumed by overwhelming in no slight terms. Apropos of this Earl St. Aldwyn followed his son to thirst. One young fellow came crawl- fact, it is interesting to recall that it the grave within one week of the ing in, and his first words were, "Oh, death of the former. The title, it is give me a drink!" I handed him the understood, became extinct.

dison, are more protective than the French ones. Answering a suggestion Eight thousand five hundred and six- that any shortage might be met by ty-nine German school teachers have placing orders in France, he said he fallen in the war. Of these 5,158 were was not aware that the requisite steel could be got there.

ANOTHER KIND OF CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR razetted temporary brigadier generals The Buried One: "Buck up, you chaps! Don't keep me here all day. I'm due out with a bombing party in half an hour."-London Opinion