

# THE ARMY CRISIS

## Seele, French and Ewart Resign--Asquith Takes War Portfolio

### And Goes Back to His Constituency--Dramatic Scene in the House When Prime Minister Makes Announcement.

Special to Evening Telegram.

LONDON, March 30.

Field Marshal French and Brigadier General Ewart, have resigned, and all efforts made by the King, Premier and other ministers, have failed to induce them to change their minds. Premier Asquith's further announcement that he himself would take up the portfolio of Secretary of War, came as a great surprise. Having announced this, he declared that he would retire from the Commons, in accordance with the law, until it pleased his constituents to sanction his return to office. He then walked out of the Chamber amid frantic cheers from Liberals, Nationalists and Labor members, the whole body of whom rose to their feet, waving handkerchiefs and papers, as he left.

Mr. Asquith having accepted an office of profit under the Crown, must now retire to his constituency in East Fife for re-election. On last occasion he received 3,149 votes against 3,350 of his Unionist opponent receiving a majority of 1,795.

When the Premier entered the House to-day he was greeted with a great ovation by members on the Ministerial side. Shortly after, he rose before the crowded chamber to make his promised statement on the Army crisis. He said that after full consideration Field Marshal French and Adjutant General Ewart had persisted in their desire to be relieved of their offices, and that in the public interest, deeply he deplored the decision of those gallant officers. He would not speak too warmly or gratefully of the ability, loyalty, and devotion with which they had served the State and Army, and would, he hoped, continue to serve.

The Prime Minister proceeded to tell the House that Colonel Seele had informed him, to his regret, that he felt bound to take the same course and resign from the Secretaryship for War. Asquith then sprung his sensation on the House. He said that under the circumstances, and after much consideration, he had felt it his duty to assume the office of Secretary of State for War, although he had taken it, only with the greatest reluctance, and in what he believed to be a great public emergency.

That the Premier's announcement was a complete surprise, was evident on every hand. Members on the Ministerial side were struck dumb, but soon they jumped on their seats and broke out in wild cheers.

Mr. Asquith added that Generals French and Ewart had asked him to say that they were in accord with the statement made by him in the House on Friday.

In announcing that the King had signified his approval of him, on his assumption of the War Office portfolio, he concluded: "I have taken the opinion of the highest legal authorities, and all the lawyers agree that I must resign from the House of Commons. I, therefore, in accordance with the law, retire from the House, until my constituents will have given their approval of my acceptance of this office."

In a brief personal statement, Col. Seele told the House that there was no difference between himself and his colleagues in the Cabinet on any point of policy or principle. He said he had pressed his resignation, because there appeared, although such was not his intention, to have been a bargain with the Army officers regarding the service they should render to the Crown. Neither had Generals French and Ewart the intention of making any such bargain.

Mr. Bonar Law said that it would be impossible to proceed with the Home Rule Bill in the absence of the Premier, but Mr. Asquith remarked that he would be at hand, if advice was wanted. He then left the House, of which Reginald McKenna, the Home Secretary, assumed the leadership.

The resignation of Lord Morley, of Blackburn, as President of the Council, is generally expected to follow that of Col. Seele, with whom he was associated in drawing up the offending paragraphs of the memorandum to the officers. In the course of his speech, Col. Seele said that grave issues had been raised, which may mean that the whole army system may have to be recast.

LONDON, March 30.

Sir Edward Grey, Foreign Secretary, in the Commons to-day, denied the allegations that the action of President Wilson in regard to the question of the Panama Canal tolls was the result of an understanding between the Governments of the United States and Britain. It had been asserted, he said, that under the terms of the so-called understanding, Britain had undertaken to assist President Wilson in regard to his Mexican policy, adding that there was no foundation whatever for the reports. He expressed himself as glad to be able to take as early an opportunity as possible, for saying so.

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C. A. KING, M.D.

### Big Bill At Rossley's.

Last night there was a good big house! The show is brimful of good things. The sketch, "So-and-So" had the audience in roars, while the pictures were among some of the best seen in a long time. Every subject a masterpiece of the photographer's art. Rossley's will close down Holy Week to prepare for Easter. The pictures will be changed three or four times during the week and so will the vaudeville.

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## Harbour Grace Notes.

Mrs. H. Noseworthy lost a sum of money from her purse on Victoria Street last night, and although a number of people gathered and searched closely no trace of the money could be found. Mrs. Moses Shute in passing over the hill this morning was fortunate in finding it and restored it to the delighted owner.

It is reported in town to-day that the S. S. Southern Cross is now on her way from the Gulf with a load of seals. We all hope the report is correct.

Miss Fanny Cron, one of the nurses at the General Hospital, St. John's, is now here on a short visit for her health sake. All Nurse Cron's friends are pleased to meet her.

Mr. H. H. Archibald was to the Capital on Friday last on business.

The Amuse U Club will hold a dancing assembly at the Academy Hall on Easter Tuesday night that promises to be a real swell time.

Miss Sarah Bradbury, one of the Archibald Brothers staff, left by Saturday's train for Winnipeg, where she will make her home in future.

Dandelion was served for dinner at one home in town yesterday. It is not likely there was an over supply, in fact we fear the supply was scarcely equal to the demand. Good for Harbour Grace to get dandelion in March.

Yesterday was Review Sunday in the Presbyterian Sabbath School, and Rev. Mr. Magner was very well pleased with the quick and correct answers of the children. Much credit is due Miss Butt and the teachers for their attention to the children.

CORRESPONDENT.

Har. Grace, March 30, 1914.

## The Little Boy Scout.

The little Boy Scout goes marching out  
In a khaki suit of tan,  
And a broad felt hat with a silver cord  
Just like a grown-up man.  
He feels as big as he swings along  
In step with the line of boys.  
That he knows he never again will  
Or play with his childish toys.

The little Boy Scout is only eight,  
And his eyes are blue and bright;  
His mother kisses and tucks him up  
In his pretty white bed each night.  
Tramp, tramp, tramp on the weary road—

He is tired, and hungry, too,  
But to fall behind in the dusty march  
Is not what a man would do.

The little Boy Scout is home again;  
To bed in the dark he goes,  
No more afraid of the bogey-bears  
That lurk on the stairs, he knows.  
He has entered to conquer the pain of life.

As only a brave heart can,  
And his mother steals to his cot to say  
"Good night, my dear little man."

## McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, March 31, 1914.

Has it ever struck you that it may be possible to get a better shaving soap than you are using at present, one which will make this necessary operation as nearly as possible tolerable? Well—unless you are at present a user of the Excelsis Shaving Stick—there is a better. You will probably be surprised if you will use this remarkable shaving soap at the comparative ease it gives you in shaving. It is merely a matter of asking for Excelsis next time. Excelsis will do the rest. Price 35 cents a stick.

If you suspect worms in your children, get a couple of McMurdo's Worm Sticks. They are harmless in any case, but will remove any worms in the children in quick time. Price 10c. each.

## Large Audiences At The Crescent.

The Crescent Picture Palace was greeted with large audiences yesterday afternoon and night. All attending to witness the great three reeled feature "The Flying Circus," the sensational picture produced by the Northern Film Co.

This wonderful subject which occupied over three-quarters of an hour was beyond the expectations of the large audiences present. The second picture was a comedy "The Rival Candidates" full of genuine fun and laughter.

Miss Louise Arkandy rendered several violin selections which added immensely to the success of the programme. This bill is repeated again this afternoon and night, and those who failed to see "The Flying Circus" should make a special effort to witness it.

On Wednesday and Thursday "The Light Woman" adapted from Robert Browning's celebrated poem.

## THE GREATER QUESTION.

At this season of the year for Farmers with up-to-date ideas is, what are the best means to use to get the best returns from the land.

Fertilizers must be used liberally if large returns are looked for. There are several good chemical fertilizers which may be recommended, but Sulphate of Ammonia has been proved to give the best returns, and is the most valuable and economical source of Nitrogen for agricultural purposes.

For vegetables, grass, and all leafy crops, about one and a half cwt. per acre is the best quantity to use, and this should be applied when the plant is making its growth, as well as before sowing the seed.

If a liquid manure is preferred, a 1/2 oz. of Sulphate to one gallon of water should be used, and applied once a week for a month. This quantity should not be exceeded.

It is a good plan to reduce the Sulphate to a fine powder, and mix with four or more times its own bulk, for the purpose of diluting the manure, which is very powerful.

For potatoes the following mixture is strongly recommended:—  
40 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia.  
20 lbs. Fine bone meal.  
10 lbs. Carbonate of Magnesia.  
15 lbs. Sulphate of Potash.  
21 lbs. SULPHATE OF AMMONIA.

1 cwt.  
Apply at the rate of 10 to 11 lbs. to 45 square yards.

The use of Carbonate of Magnesia, in conjunction with Sulphate of Ammonia, is of great importance in potato culture.

For turnip use the following:—  
66 lbs. Superphosphate.  
13 lbs. Fine bone meal.  
15 lbs. Sulphate of Potash.  
20 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia.

1 cwt.  
Apply at the rate of 10 to 11 lbs. to square yards.

Sulphate of Ammonia of excellent quality is now made by the St. John's Gas Light Company, and may be obtained on very reasonable terms.

Full particulars may be obtained at the Gas Works, or at the Board of Trade Building, ask for special booklet on the use of Sulphate. It will be found of great value in securing the heaviest crops.

T. A. BILLIARD DINNER.—Matters in connection with the T. A. Club's billiard dinner will be finalized during the week. The dinner is expected to take place during Easter week.

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## Advance Showing of New Gowns.

We beg to announce for this week our display of latest Evening Gowns, and Bridge and Afternoon Frocks. These are copies of French Model Gowns, in lovely shades and designs; no two alike. We give below a description of one Gown, but they must be seen for their elegance to be fully appreciated.

This model is of rich, heavy Ivory Crepe-de-Chine. Waist has folded Chiffon vest caught with tiny cut crystals; sleeves are of Chiffon draped entirely with exquisite lace, waist is veiled with lace, has wide crushed girdle and is finished at corsage with a cluster of shaded Mauve roses and a long rope of pearl and crystal beads. The skirt is in straight clinging lines, and has a double pelium of lace, held in place at back by drape and flat bow of Crepe-de-Chine. This Gown is a very beautiful one in its perfect lines and drapings.



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## College Baseball.

An enthusiastic and largely attended meeting of the ex-pupils of the colleges was held in the Board of Trade Rooms last night to consider the question of the formation of a baseball team to enter the League the coming season.

Mr. H. Dickinson occupied the chair, and Mr. J. Meehan acted as Secretary. It was decided that the conveners of the meeting, Messrs. H. Dickinson, J. Foley and H. S. Ayre in conjunction with Messrs. H. Rendell, W. F. Rendell and J. Meehan, representatives of the three colleges be appointed to form a committee to enquire into the feasibility of forming a club.

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fers such as cost of entrance, outfits, etc., will be enquired into and reported to the next meeting on Friday next.

EXPRESS ARRIVES.—The Bruce express arrived in the city at 2.30 a.m. to-day.

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If you have a tender message. Or a loving word to say. Don't wait till you forget it. But whisper it today. Who knows what bitter memories may haunt you if you wait. So make your loved one happy. Before it is too late.

The tender words unspoken. The letters never sent. The long-forgotten messages. The wealth of love unspent—For these some hearts are breaking. For these some loved ones wait. Show them that you care for them. Before it is too late.

## Food of

An editorial published in the 'Journal of the Medical Association' contains points on the food which have remained.

The editorial follows: The imperative need of efficient and hygienic food serving prescribable for human consumption after they leave the production is being brought home to Americans and producers by the unsuitability of some of the food employed has been 'The Journal' from the value of dedication, been underestimated in the past, although obvious limitations, a teration of the nature products occasioned cases and the relative mode of food preservation. Sterilization by heat many departments of tries with eminent su of chemical preservation a wholesome checked stricter limitations. legislation is placing duction of foreign food products, so that tion, too, the prospective expansion is not careful consideration been directed to the limitations of food mode of food preservation the hygienic and the of view.

Although the present low temperatures are long been known, the chemical changes which may undergo during refrigeration has not been prosecuted until a recent date. In this Bureau of Chemistry has been particularly active, and its publications have been published the behaviour of meats, butter, etc., under the tions of cold storage, trade at the present, ed for introduction. ever, few data available the effect of cold chemical composition of fish, although this mode of preservation has been used for many of ducts now so preservation of detailed and information as to this more evident in relation cause they are common to be peculiarly promotion.

A plant for the fresh means of salt and ice ed in New York City. The frozen fish industry had its real beginning in the nineties, but progress because of the long-judice against cold-st and frozen fish in development of the an for the production of ture has been one of tors in fostering the industry. At present, of fish are refrigerated has its own method of but the general practice to freeze the fish, dip and refreeze in order be completely encased are then stored at

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