

Sees Peaceful Solution

TRYS PROBLEM OF MEMEL.

Geneva.—Norman Davis, who was assistant secretary of state in the cabinet of President Wilson, used to good psychological advantage some of his former chief's doctrines of international co-operation in delivering his address before the first meeting of the League of Nations Commission, of which he is chairman, for the settlement of the question of Memel. The city was formerly German and it has remained a knotty problem among the belligerent states since the signing of the Versailles Treaty.

The problem of Memel arises from the fact that Lithuania, to which the League had given, refused to accept all the conditions of sovereignty laid down by the conference of plenipotentiaries, which finally turned the question over to the League for settlement because it was considered a matter liable seriously to disturb international relations.

It is Mr. Wilson's former secretary, therefore, who is chiefly called upon to attain the solution under the terms of the League covenant which the former President had himself compiled. Although Mr. Davis made no direct reference to the larger problem involved, his report will affect the general relations between Lithuania and Poland, which countries, if not actually fighting, are still in a state of war over the city of Vinita to whose loss Poland Lithuania has never become reconciled.

A satisfactory settlement of the Memel affair is expected, as the League here will prefer peace and harmony to political dissension and economic disorder.

"We are asked," said Mr. Davis, in his address, "to find in a few weeks a solution to a problem which has baffled more practiced diplomats for many months."

Obviously, he continued, the task was not easy, but he was optimistic. He said every week that passed showed the dangers to all concerned of any delay in reaching a settlement. But he said he was struck by the improved feeling throughout Europe, in those areas of peace are constantly broadening. "In one zone of dispute there is another the spirit of controversy is giving place to the enlightened spirit of conciliation and mutual concession," he continued.

"We have very reason to hope that the parties interested here will prefer peace and harmony to political dissension and economic disorder."

Alluding to the Memel convention of sixty articles, which Lithuania declined to accept in its entirety, Mr. Davis declared it was remarkable that an agreement had been reached in so many vital points, adding: "It took the founders of my country longer to agree on one constitution, which is considerably shorter."

Lepers Isle Loses

Terror for Mankind

VICTORIA, B.C.—(Canadian Press).

D'Arcy Island, the green-plaid morcel of land in the Gulf of Georgia, deserted without almost halting disease by the Victoria-Vancouver lepers, is no longer the dread prison which has been in the past. Its unfortunate lepers no longer face life sentences thereon, with the smelling waters of the gulf confining them with all the surety of iron bars and walls of stone, for medical science has begun to conquer the loathsome scourge of which they are the victims. Those for whom there was once no pardon, no hope, no rescue, are now being looked forward to the halcyon days of their leper's spots, and spending once more with the rest of mankind.

This, in brief, is the story told to the Natural History Society here recently by Dr. Chester Brown, officer in charge of the D'Arcy colony.

The last few years had been wonderful strides in the treatment of leprosy, he said, and the disease is no longer the sealed mystery it was. Already three patients had been released from the D'Arcy lazaretto and of the seven now on the island, in four the malady had been checked and in two improvement was being shown. Treatment had been begun in the remaining case.

"Canada," the speaker continued, "was infected first about 100 years ago by contact of the French-Canadian in New Brunswick with Norwegian sailors. British Columbia has but it during the last fifty years among the Orientals, but it has not spread to the white population.

"It is estimated that there are 2,000,000 lepers in the world to-day. Most of these are in Central Africa, China, India and the Pacific Islands. Norway and Iceland have persisted as the chief foci of the disease among the white races.

"In 1909 the lepers in America were estimated as follows: Mainland of the United States, 146; Cuba, 1,297; United States of Columbia, 4,182; Argentine Republic, 12,000; Island of Jamaica, 115; Canada, 25; remainder, to available information.

"Attendants occasionally contract the disease. Doctors and nurses have very rarely done so. I know of no authentic cases in recent years."

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Like Sunny Spain

ORANGES, LEMONS AND CITRONS GROWING WITHIN 25 MILES OF LONDON.

From the dull, cold London to the tropical warmth of an orange grove seems a far cry, but a representative of The Daily Mirror made the trip in a little over an hour.

In that time the twenty-five or so miles separating London from Sawbridgeworth, in Hertfordshire, was covered. A short ride in a motor car brought the seeker after warmth and brightness to the offices of Messrs. Thomas Rivers and Son, the old-established nurserymen.

Under the guidance of Mr. Henry Rivers, the managing director of the firm, a move was made towards a cluster of large glasshouses, where lay the "promised land."

Immediately Mr. Rivers opened the door there poured out a breath of warm, scented air. The interior was filled with young peach trees, a mass of pink and white bloom.

Clusters of Oranges.

Within another glasshouse was a perfect orange grove that might have been transplanted in its entirety from sunny Spain or California.

The trees planted down the sides met at the centre of the roof, and from their branches hung clusters on clusters of luscious-looking oranges!

In a corner was a large lemon tree supporting dozens of fruit of the famous Imperial variety.

The orange trees are of different varieties among them being Navels and St. Michael's. Most are seventy and eighty years old.

Mr. Rivers explained that there were about 2,000 orange trees scattered among four glasshouses devoted to them. In addition, there were grape fruit, lemons and citrons.

In one of the houses men were carefully washing with water and cloths each individual orange and lent on a tree.

Spring Cleaning the Fruit.

"They are having their annual spring clean," observed Mr. Rivers. "Each tree gets a thorough overhauling once a year to get rid of 'scale,' which is the great enemy of oranges."

Orange plants have been sent from Sawbridgeworth to all parts of the world, chiefly to Africa, Jamaica and California. Orange growers have always sent there for new varieties.

Messrs. Rivers have been established since 1782. The orange known as the "Valencia Late" was introduced into America from Messrs. Rivers, and now forms a large portion of the oranges imported into England.

From time to time the firm, is called on to supply orange blossoms for brides—Duff's orange.

Accused of Love Theft in Africa

WEALTHY HUSBAND DEFENDS HER.

NEW YORK.—Refusing to believe that his wife is guilty of misconduct in the heart of Africa with Sir Charles Henry Augustus Frederick Lockhart Ross, Bart., as charged by Lady Ross in a divorce suit brought in Edinburgh, Scotland, Frederick Y. Dalziel, wealthy New Yorker, is fighting to clear Mrs. Dalziel's name.

Friends of the Dalzels are also denouncing the charges. Mr. Dalziel dined recently with Sir Charles on the best of terms.

Mrs. Emily Key Hoffman Dalziel and Sir Charles were members of a hunting expedition in East Africa last year. Before her marriage she was known for her fearlessness and a sportswoman in following big game on the Dark Continent. She hunted the rhino, lion and other dangerous jungle specimens and brought back many trophies.

Sir Charles Ross of Chalmowan, Scotland, is a Scotch laird and baronet, whose baronetcy dates back to 1672. He was appointed on a shooting expedition in Africa by T. A. Barnes an explorer, and Mrs. Dalziel. They accidentally discovered what was described as the greatest volcanic crater in the world, situated in Noronoro, twelve miles in diameter, rimmed around by 2,000-foot cliffs and carpeted throughout with rich clover.

Sir Charles eventually bought the domain as a game preserve for the wild herbs and rare specimens of animal he said had taken refuge there.

Sir Charles, who is 62, was a veteran of the South African War. He is the inventor of the Ross rifle, which was sold to the Canadian Government for several million dollars. Lady Ross is American born. She was Miss Patricia Ellison of Louisville, Ky.

Household Notes.

When using bread flour in place of pastry flour substitute two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch for the same amount of flour in each cupful.

The wise housewife realizes that the room in which she spends most of her time is the kitchen—and that it is therefore worth while to make it attractive.