

PEACE CENTENARY PLANS

London, Dec. 18.—The British committee organized for the celebration in 1914 of the centenary of Anglo-American peace, has drawn up a comprehensive program, which was made public to-day.

It is proposed that a monument to George Washington be erected in Westminster Abbey or in Westminster Hall, adjoining the House of Commons. It is also proposed that Sulgrave Manor, Northamptonshire, the ancestral home of Washington, be purchased and that an organized effort be made on both sides of the Atlantic and in the British colonies to promote well considered educational methods and the growth of the feeling of mutual respect, affection and goodwill as well as mutual knowledge among the peoples of British and American descent.

Lectureships at the principal universities, prizes for essays on Anglo-American relations and new school readers are to be included in the educational scheme.

It is estimated that for these purposes from \$250,000 to \$300,000 will be necessary and substantial subscriptions already have been received.

The announcement was made by Earl Grey at a meeting held at the Mansion House and presided over by the Lord Mayor of London. Many prominent persons were present.

FOLLY AND PASSION CAUSE WAR

New York, Dec. 13.—James Bryce, the British ambassador, told the committee for the celebration of the centenary of peace between English-speaking people, at a dinner to-night, that nearly all

wars had been due to human folly or human passion, and dwelt on how much better it was to celebrate the wisdom which had ended a war and avoided any subsequent conflict, rather than the want of skill and wisdom which made war possible.

The ambassador described what had been accomplished during his official stay in Washington to remove differences between the United States and Great Britain, and to avoid differences in the future. He referred to the three arbitrations and several treaties leading to a settlement of the Canadian boundary dispute; the Newfoundland fisheries question; the matter of the use of the waters on the boundary, and minor points long at issue, and continued: "All these treaties furnish an admirable illustration of the dictum once delivered by Mr. Root that where two nations and governments desire to come to a fair agreement it is always possible for them to do so. With good will everything can be accomplished."

All Nations at Peace

"The value of the celebration you contemplate lies in its emphasizing the friendship of these two neighbor peoples, which have no thought of aggression, either on the other. Each is trying its own experiments in government and legislation. The United States is already at least big enough for one executive and legislature to deal with, and Canada will soon also be so big as to tax all the capacity of one national government."

"You propose to invite to your celebration members and representatives of other great peoples and races. That is right. There is nothing exclusive in the friendship that we of the various branches of the English stock have for one another. Let your invitation include those other peoples: Germans, of whom you have so many excellent citizens here; Frenchmen, with whom you have ancient ties of regard; men from Scandinavia and Italy and Spain. Let the celebration be the means of assuring all the great nations of your and our desire to be good friends with them no less than with one another and of our hope that the bonds of friendship and the league of peace will be extended to include them all."

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FRUIT GROWERS PAY HEAVY COMMISSIONS

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 19.—That the fruit growers of the Niagara district pay \$10,000 per week to the commission men of Toronto during the fruit season was the estimate of J. H. Broderick at a meeting of the Niagara Peninsula United Fruit Growers' association here this afternoon. The statement was made during a discussion of growers' problems and with particular reference to the question of marketing.

During the year 1912 abnormal quantities of fruit were wasted. The decayed remains may yet be seen in many orchards. The growers' prices went down to a painfully low figure, and the usual complaints were heard from the consumers of the high cost of fruit. The association to-day inaugurated a campaign which, in the words of President Robert Thompson, has for its object "better prices for the growers; lower prices for the consumers, and improved condition of the fruit when it reaches the consumer."

SIR RICHARD CARTWRIGHT'S WILL

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 19.—The will of the late Sir Richard Cartwright, who died in Kingston, in September, was entered for probate at the court house in Ottawa to-day. The total estate is valued at \$238,392.90, but out of this debts amounting to \$155,000 will be taken. This leaves his widow, three daughters and six sons with less than \$90,000 to share between them. The late Sir Richard Cartwright owned real property valued at \$28,000, bank and other stocks valued at \$63,790.27, furniture valued at \$3,000 and several other effects, bringing the total up to \$238,392.90. No mention is made in the will of the proceeds of Sir Richard's book, which is reported as having a tremendous sale.

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