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### Snapshots of a War Lord

A COURTIER'S IMPRESSIONS OF WILLIAM II.

"Still, there lived something of a slave-like subject in us, and, therefore, fate has laid upon us the lot of slaves." That is in one quotation the quintessence of the memoirs of Count Zedlitz-Trutzschler, formerly Marshal of the Court of the last German Emperor ("Twelve Years at the Imperial Court"). This book, which contains all that Von Zedlitz experienced in his long years' acquaintance with William II. and his coterie, completes and gives the finishing touches to the picture of the modern Byzantine Court of Berlin, painted in vivid colours by such men as Bismarck (in the third volume of his memoirs), Prince Philipp Eulenburg, in his reminiscences, Field-Marshal Waldersee, General Count Moltke, the incapable Chief of Staff at the outbreak of the war, and others of the "friends" of the fallen monarch. It contains, as the writer says himself, monologues and jotted-down notes of the thoughts that he could not dare to utter, and opinions which put him in the wrong with his surroundings, and made him feel lonely at court.

"Seldom has a reigning prince been kept so completely in ignorance about the truth as William II., and seldom has a deposed monarch been told the truth so thoroughly as the master of Doorn Castle," says Dr. Ernst Feder in a leading article in the Berliner Tageblatt, about this sensational revelation. One has the impression that it is not a scandal-

monster who wrote this book, but a man with the endeavour to tell the truth, and to record historical facts. No wonder that the old conservatives and aristocrats of Potsdam and in the East Elbian strongholds of Junkerism hum like disturbed norsets. These people, who thought, and still think it to be their God-given duty to withhold the truth from their master, try to hold the truth under the helmet even to-day, because nobody knows better than they do that the truth about the former Emperor will prevent them from reaping the harvest of their monarchist-nationalistic propaganda, in making the German people think about what is going to be their fate if ever the Junkers get into the saddle again. Von Zedlitz's book is another nail in the coffin of their long-expected restoration of Hohenzollern reign and of the caste privileges lost through the revolution.

It is great fun to witness the reaction of this publication in the circles of these self-satisfied "patriots." Nobody denies the facts. But many are those who throw stones at the daring Count, who shows the true face of the old system of subjection, militarism, and bureaucracy, and who claims his only aim in writing his memoirs to be the prevention of the return of this system, which he blames for the catastrophe that overcame Germany. The "National Union of Former Officers" declared in public that the writer has ceased to be considered their comrade, and several other exclusive societies have expelled him. His cousin considers him as not belonging to the family of Von Zedlitz any longer. The "Association of German Aristocrats," in a statement cir-

### Supreme Court.

TRIAL OF JESSE WINSON CONTINUES.

(Yesterday afternoon proceedings.) The trial of Capt. Jesse Winsor charged with riot and rescue was resumed at 2.30 p.m. yesterday, when the evidence of Constables F. Wade, A. Morgan, Seaward and M. Cahill was taken, which closed the case for the Crown. Before Mr. Morine, K.C., called the first witness for the defence, he put forth the plea that the accused could not be tried on the indictment of "Rioting," unless the rescued men had been first convicted by a proper court. The trial was not a legal one, therefore, there was no trial. A lengthy argument arose over the law points raised, following which the Chief Justice retired to his chamber to consider the matter. About half an hour later he returned into court and informed counsel that the charge of riot would be stricken out, but that the other charge be proceeded with.

Mr. Bradley opened the case for the defence and made a brief address. Cornelius Wall and Joshua Winsor were called and examined by Mr. Morine and cross-examined by Mr. McNelly, after which the Court adjourned until this morning.

### St. Michael's Flok

HELD ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT.

A pleasing entertainment was held last night in St. Michael's and All Angels Lecture Hall, to an appreciative audience. The first part of the programme consisted of songs and instrumental solos, all of which were rendered in a most delightful manner. A playlet "Mistaken Identity," followed, the St. Michael's troupe forming the cast, played their respective parts to perfection. Before the close, the Pastor, Rev. J. E. Nichols, gave an illustrated lecture on London, in which many slides were screened, showing the principal churches and buildings of that city. The lecture proved both entertaining and instructive. The affair was a decided success and terminated with singing the National Anthem.

### Wesley Debate

VERDICT FOR NEGATIVE.

A record attendance was present at Wesley Young Men's Literary Class last night when the following resolution was debated:

"Resolved that a bounty on fish caught in Newfoundland would be to the best interests of the country." The best speakers were Messrs. E. Bursey and A. E. Hayward for the affirmative and M. Roberts and A. N. Holmes for the negative.

The affirmative maintained that the fishery is the backbone of this country and should be encouraged by giving a bounty on fish. The giving of a bounty would encourage a better class of our fish and raise the standard. The affirmative further contended that if this country is to rise out of her present condition of depression a greater interest must be taken in the fishermen and movements put forward to encourage them in their occupation. A bounty on fish would be the means of keeping a great many of our young men from emigrating to foreign lands.

The negative contended that a bounty on fish would not be a financial benefit to a country. If the Government was to pay this bounty it would mean that the people would have to be taxed still heavier to meet the additional expenditure. The negative further pointed out that no country would pay a bounty on a major industry. The class was also honored by the presence of Captain Abram Kean. The Captain when called upon to speak was given a hearty welcome and delivered a splendid address on the subject. When the vote was taken it was found that the negative had won by a fair majority.—B.S.

other in trying to kiss his master's gloved hand. The War Minister and the Chief of the Military cabinet, are shouted at: "You old asses believe you know everything better than I, because you are older." Another officer is treated like a clown and court-fool; others are made the object of practical jokes and rough handling. A general is kicked about and treated like a dog. A commander of a regiment is pulled by the ear, another punched and tickled. An elderly major receives a heavy blow in the neck. A commander of a feudal cavalry regiment is pushed into and rubbed with snow. A well-known count is shouted at: "What you old swine, are you invited here also?"

And so it goes on—ad infinitum. It is a collection of snapshots, true as life, and without retouch. No wonder that the Junkers are furious! And the German people can only be glad that they got rid of this raving madman. Let us hope that they have learned their lesson by now, and will never again be deceived by their worst enemies, the Junkers, and be led into another adventure like the one of 1914. Will they think of their own proverb: "Durch schaden wird man klug?" ("Through losses one becomes wise.")

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### Leap-Year Customs

There will be twenty-nine days in February this year, for 1924 is a leap year. A leap year is one whose number in the Christian era can be divided by four without remainder, century years—1900, and so on—being excepted.

The necessity for leap years lies in the fact that the solar year consists of 365 days 5 hours 48 minutes, and therefore periodic readjustment is necessary.

The most famous custom associated with leap year is the one, which gives women the privilege of proposing on every 29th of February.

This privilege is legendarily said to have been cajoled out of St. Patrick by St. Bridget. In more recent times the right has, apparently, been extended to cover the whole year.

Though it is woman's privilege to

propose during leap year, there is a certain etiquette to be observed. According to one old authority, should the man to whom she offers her hand decline it she may claim from him a silk dress, but only if at the time of proposing she is wearing a scarlet petticoat and shows it to him.

According to a seventeenth-century writer, when a woman exercises her leap-year privilege "no man will be entitled to the benefit of clergy who doth in any wise treat her proposal with slight or contumely."

In parts of New England, there lingers a curious superstition that in leap year beans grow on the wrong side of the pod.

Don't forget the St. Mary's Y. M.C. to-night and to-morrow night—Feb. 20, 21.

S.S. Digby is not expected to leave Liverpool before the 26th.

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