

## GREECE HOLDS VAST WEALTH

Large Opportunities for Trade in Balkan Peninsula

Serbia Wants Goods—Jugo-Slavia Also in the Market—Can Pay Cash in Short Time

(Toronto Globe.)

Colonel Duncan M. Stewart, the well-known Canadian banker who is paying a short visit to Toronto, was seen by a representative of The Globe at the Queen's Hotel. He has recently returned from an extended trip to the Balkans, and speaks enthusiastically about the trade possibilities they offer. Mr. Stewart showed The Globe a document issued by the Serbian government ordering all civil and military authorities throughout the kingdom to place themselves at his disposal, and he says they courteously facilitated the object of his visit in every way. Traveling by water, rail and automobile, he was in a position to gain accurate information at first hand.

While at Saloniki he contracted fever which interfered with his work to some extent, but he was able to cover both Greece and Serbia very thoroughly. In Greece, Mr. Stewart said, the minister of finance told him about the credit the Canadian government opened for the purchase of Canadian goods, and Mr. Stewart thought it was an excellent move. Greece's territory was preserved inviolate during the war, said he, and her people being born traders, reaped enormous profits before being called on to spend money for purely war purposes.

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"I have never seen prosperity so rampant as in Athens," said Col. Stewart, "and many people told me there was more money there per capita than anywhere else in the world." Greece, he continued, would get the lower part of Macedonia, the capital of which is Salonika, which is a great city and will also be the port for southern Serbia.

Col. Stewart had a long talk with Mr. Venizelos, and he was much impressed by the capability of the Greek government, and he feels that the nation has a good future, both economic and political. Serbians Industrious.

Having their land all through the war. After winning some successes against the Austrians at the beginning, the Serbian army was overwhelmed by the combined forces of Austrians, Germans and Bulgarians, but they never surren-

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## NEW MINISTER.



Hon. Athanasios David, K. C. M. P. P. for Terrebonne, the new provincial secretary of Quebec. He is a son of Hon. L. O. David, senator of Montreal.

ered. These people have nothing but love and affection for Britain, and they will never forget the great assistance so freely rendered by her in their hour of need. "They will trade with Britain or anything British," said Mr. Stewart, "have the greatest admiration for the Canadian army, and will welcome business relations with Canada."

Serbia was ready to place large orders for goods in Canada, he proceeded, and although she did not need as large credits as Canada extended to Greece and Roumania, she would buy from ten to twenty-five million dollars of Canadian goods if she could do so on short credit secured by government bonds. In his opinion Serbia would recover, financially, sooner than any other allied country. She was an agricultural country and immensely rich in natural wealth. This year she would have a respectable surplus of grain and other foodstuffs for export, "and that, you know," said Mr. Stewart, "means quick financial recovery."

Her government and people he characterized as very democratic and sane. Bolshevism had no chance because every peasant owns a piece of land, and the laws are such that total spoliation of a man for debt was impossible.

The new Jugo-Slav state had a population of over twelve millions as against four millions for Serbia before the war, and she would now have the advantage of the free port of Saloniki, which gave her an outlet on the Mediterranean, and will open up Macedonia and Southern Serbia to a tremendous development. She would also have several ports on the Adriatic, such as Fiume and Cattaro, and would open up from the coast communications by railroads with the country north of the Danube, which having been enemy territory, had not been devastated. Belgrade, from the commercial terminus of a small country behind it and south of the Danube, had now become the political capital of twelve to thirteen millions of people and a trade centre supplying forty to fifty millions of people, whose commerce could be carried down the Danube and on the waters of the Drave, Save and other rivers.

Jugo-Slavia Rich.

That part of the new kingdom which had formerly belonged to Austria-Hungary, Mr. Stewart described as the richest grain and agricultural land in all Europe, referring particularly to the Banat and Banat section, part of which of the latter also had been allotted to Roumania. Mr. Stewart stated that he knew Canada from coast to coast, and could say without exaggeration, that there was nothing in this country equal in agricultural wealth per acre to Jugo-Slavia and Roumania. Nobody could visit the Balkans and not sympathize with the Jugo-Slavs in the Adriatic dispute, said he. "The trouble with them is that they are not sufficiently aggressive or self-assertive,

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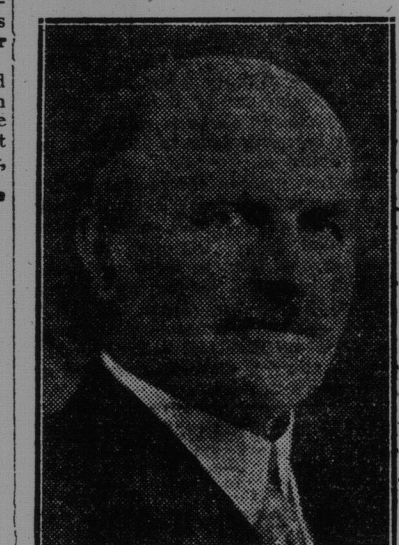
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and they are too thoroughly honest themselves and too ready to rely upon the peace delegates' sense of justice, to adopt a propaganda to establish their claims and would public opinion accordingly. The plain truth is the Italians are wrong, and their two original peace delegates, Orlando and Sonnino, made a big mistake in trying to grab Fiume and Dalmatia, and make an Italian lake out of the Adriatic. The Jugo-Slavs are more like our own Anglo-Saxons—especially the Scottish part of us—in manners, customs and commercial morals, than any other people I know. If the people of Canada want to secure a trade footing in some of the richest and safest countries (safest from an investment point of view) in the world they can do no better than go after business with Serbia, Roumania and Greece. They need temporary assistance in the way of credit, and that is all—afterwards they will pay spot cash."

## NEW GOVERNOR.



Hon. Murdoch McKinnon, the new lieutenant-governor of Prince Edward Island. He has been provincial secretary and commissioner of agriculture since 1911. He is a Presbyterian and a farmer.

## TORONTO TIMES SUSPENDED.

Toronto, Sept. 11.—It is officially announced tonight that the Toronto Times, successor to the Toronto News, will suspend publication tomorrow. A winding up order has been applied in connection with the business.

## HEROIC DOGS OF WAR.

Notable Service Rendered By Them in All the Armies.

(Philadelphia Ledger.)

Bobs—evidently one of the noble army of beasts named for the late Lord Roberts of Kandahar—has deservedly received the silver medal of the National Canine Defense League for a heroic rescue.

Like most Simon-Pure, full-blooded heroes, Bobs didn't stop to think whether he was playing the hero or not—he merely did his duty as he saw it, which was to bark his head off when he found himself a fellow-passenger on a raft with a lot of half-frozen, unconscious sailors, whose warship had been sunk by the Germans off the coast of Holland. As a result, his distress signals were heard aboard a destroyer about to relinquish the search, and the ten men were saved.

Dog heroes of the war are numerous, and one likes to hear of Fend l'Air, who helped dig his master out of a cave-in

trench; or Judge, who swam the river with the ends of ropes in his mouth to draw the boats over, till the German snipers got him; or Little Vesie, who went everywhere with Raymond Carroll; or the noble Red Cross dogs who sought out the wounded and led the rescuers to them; or the messenger dogs whom no temptation could seduce from duty. But in all these transactions the best of the four-footed friends of man was merely running true to form. You cannot imagine men at war and dogs failing to come forward and join them in the struggle as devoted partisans. You never heard of a dog deserting or refusing to go over the top at the zero hour. Just as a dog would rush to the aid of his master in a battle with a burglar, he used his bark and bite to the last fibre of his being and the last breath in his shaggy body in resistance to his master's enemy at the front. If you attacked his master, you assailed him; and if the dogs of war could have had their way, they would have fought it out among themselves.

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## MUTT AND JEFF—MUTT MAKES THE CLIMAX AN UNUSUALLY VIOLENT THING

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SHAKESPEARE WAS RIGHT. TO-DAY WE'RE HERE, BUT WE'RE NOT SURE ABOUT TOMORROW. THERE'S MUTT! I WONDER IF HE'S HEARD!

MUTT, YOU KNOW JOE THE PORTER AT THE DUTCHMAN'S? WELL, HE'S DEAD.

BUT I SAW HIM LAST EVENING. HE WAS ALL RIGHT THEN!

HE MET WITH A VIOLENT DEATH. HE TOOK A DOSE OF MORPHINE FOR HIS TOOTH-ACHE, WENT TO SLEEP, AND NEVER WOKE UP!

THERE WAS NOTHING VIOLENT ABOUT THAT.

BUT THEY POUNDED THE LIFE OUT OF THE POOR FELLOW TRYING TO WAKE HIM UP!

WHAT ARE YOU SO VIOLENT ABOUT?

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