

Anderson's Removal Sale

Will Commence

Saturday, Dec. 5th, 8.30 a.m.

YOU know, it is three years since we had our regular December Clearing Sale—partly due to the fact, that the rush of general business during the month of December, of the years of 1911—12—, and 13—did not allow us to devote the necessary time to prepare for our regular systematic Style of reducing, and remarking the prices on the various articles, in such a vast stock as ours.

In the near future we will be removing to our New Modern Store in the West, hence we are devoting our best talents to make this Removal Sale, a sale to be remembered for low prices.

We want you to help us to remove, and we will give in return Splendid Bargains.

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THE TASKMASTER

By Charles Kingston

THE deputation twirled their caps awkwardly as they stood in the presence of Ephraim Ellis. At first the three men sent to place the grievances of their fellow workers before the old cotton master had maintained a spirit of dogged hostility, but Ellis soon showed by his manner that he knew how to deal with the class room which he had himself sprang.

"I've little to say, men," he began, in a deep voice, "but that little will be to the point. I'm one of yourselves—I worked in a mill for years and I know what it is. You ask for a ten per cent increase. I refuse it." "But our wages were reduced twenty per cent, sir," put in the boldest of the three; "that was a year ago, and you said that if trade improved you would give it back."

"Trade has not improved," snapped Ephraim.

"Give us back half, sir," pleaded another. "We cannot live on the present wage."

A sudden anger took possession of the cotton master, and he strode over to the fireplace, where he touched a bell.

"You refuse, then?" said Dunne, one of the deputation; a small man notorious for large ideas.

"I do."

"Then you'll not have a worker in your mill to-morrow."

"I can do without you," said Ephraim, with emphasis. Perhaps you'll find it difficult to do without me."

"We'll try at any rate," retorted Dunne, before the servant arrived to escort them to the door.

"It's goin' to be a fight to the death, mates," he whispered, as they descended, "but we must never give in."

The cotton workers of Great Deedbury were true to the words of their leaders, and within twenty-four hours a great strike was proclaimed.

Had any of the thousands of starving men, women and children in Great Deedbury known the story of Ephraim Ellis' life the strike could have been ended immediately. The cotton master had had an extraordinarily adventurous career, containing several episodes that frightened him whenever he recalled them. His father had been a rag and bone dealer, and Ephraim succeeded to the business, married at thirty, and then became the father of one child, a girl.

That was thirty-five years before, and he had not seen his daughter for twenty-eight years. The reason was simple enough. Ephraim, whose real name was John Fox, had tried the profession of receiver of stolen goods, and when the inevitable discovery came a stern judge sent him to penal servitude for seven years.

While in prison his wife died, and his daughter had disappeared—at any rate, when he came out of prison she was nowhere to be found, and he was not over-anxious to find her. Changing his name, Ephraim began speculating in a small way, obtained some money by false pretences, was not discovered, made more money with it, and finally bought a mill, to which he added as prosperity permitted him. For years, whatever he touched turned to gold, and at sixty-five he was a millionaire and the employer of ten thousand persons. If he had been a man of greater imagination his prosperity would have frightened him, but he took it as a matter of course, and firmly believed that he had lived down his past.

Lately he had endeavored to trace his daughter, but it seemed a hopeless task after all these years. A private detective had drawn some hundreds of pounds from him on account of expenses, but no daughter had as yet come to light.

The crisis came with terrible suddenness. For a week Ephraim had remained indoors, and the change from the solitude of his house to the fury of the mob was terrifying.

RUSSIANS BEAT DOWN OPPONENTS

Even With Ordinary Strategic Ability Czar's Forces Are Able to Overwhelm the Kaiser's Armies by Sheer Weight of Numbers

New York, Nov. 28.—The military critic of the New York "Sun" summing up the situation in the east says:

"Accepting the situation in the east at precisely the valuation placed on it by official Petrograd, it seems plain that Russia has for the third time checked a considerable German offensive, and temporarily, at least, transformed it into a retreat. In a similar way in October the German thrust at the Niemen was repulsed, and in November, that at Warsaw.

Were Outnumbered.

Looking at the story of these three invasions it seems clear that they have all failed because after considerable success and real progress, the Germans were unable to retain the advantage of superior numbers at decisive points. As their armies proceeded in eastern Prussia and Russian territory, Russian armies before them regularly increased until no advantage in equipment, in generalship, in training, could counter-balance the ponderous bulk of the Slav, whose armies presently became expurgable in front, and began to overflow on the flanks.

As to Napoleon.

Now Bernhardt, who is quotable on all occasions, and frequently invaluable, says in his book on German war making that Napoleon, after having long and brilliantly defeated superior with inferior armies, endeavored to enforce local victories when his numbers had begun to be inadequate for the purpose. This caused the ruin of his 1814 campaign.

Looking at the eastern campaign it is difficult to avoid feeling that slowly but steadily the growing volume of Russian numbers is making all incidental German victories insignificant in their relation to the campaign.

As far back as September 1, Gen. von Hindenburg, won at Tannenberg the most complete victory Europe has seen since Waterloo. A quarter of a million Russians were captured or killed, about twice the number Napoleon took to Belgium in 1815, but hardly a month later new Russian masses came back to east Prussia.

All Eyes on Russia.

More and more Russia holds the attention of the world in this great conflict and rightly so. In the west the relative narrowness of the battle front, together with topographical circumstances, the mountains and the rough country, have contributed to produce a deadlock. From Switzerland to the North Sea between four and five million men are facing each other in lines long held, and apparently only to be broken by siege.

Thanks to the impetus of the original thrusts, too, Germany still stands far within the territory of her opponents, and an invasion of the Rhineland from France or Belgium still remains the remote dream of optimistic, patriotic journals. For many months, it is reasonable to believe, Belgium will remain in German hands, and it is even conceivable that Germany may still make slight progress towards the west.

The Moral Effect.

The moral effect of a Russian conquest of east Prussia upon Berlin, upon Germany, would be difficult to exaggerate. In August the Kaiser risked his Marne campaign to win among the Mazurian lakes. A long series of allied victories in the west would not necessarily bring French or British troops to German soil. Russian troops are now on German soil, and a decisive repulse in Poland might cost the Kaiser East Prussia for all time.

If the German armies have not yet reached their maximum, it is hardly to be questioned that they have nearly reached that point. Many observers have already begun to believe that they have passed it. In such a situation, failure in Poland, retreat in East Prussia, and a deadlock in the west, with the additional circumstance that neither in the east nor west have the allies touched their maximum—these are circumstances grave enough to suggest that at least a German recoil in the east and west may be at hand.

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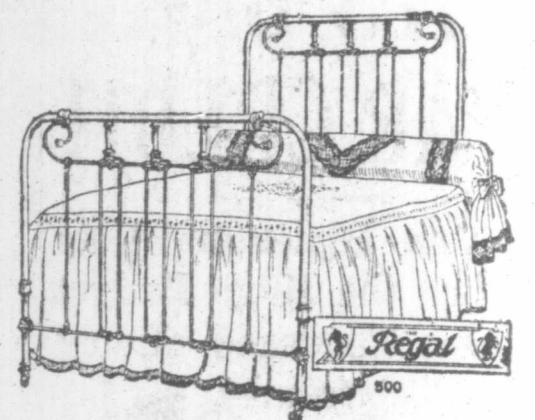
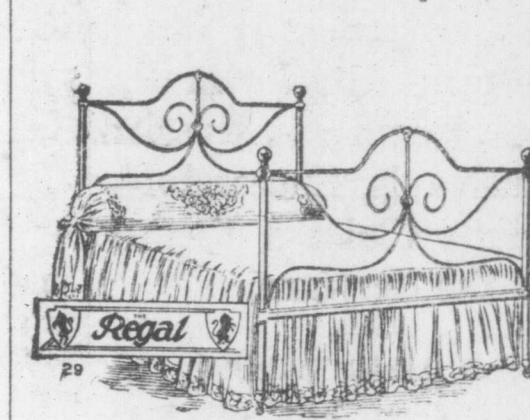
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