

GERMANS SHOOT AFRICANS AND BURN VILLAGES

Carriers Left to Die on Trail After Flogging and Starvation

TERRIBLE TALE OF GERMAN S.-W. AFRICA

Natives Murdered on Suspicion of Having Aided British Soldiers

(By Capt. Rowe, with British Forces in Africa)

"The treatment of the carriers lately by the Germans has been terrible. Their carriers include our Indian soldier prisoners of war and many wretched villagers, young boys, old men and women; in fact they catch those who cannot run away. They chain them together and just work them until they die of starvation and exhaustion. In following upon Wahle's trail from Malangali to Bupeme we kept finding dead and dying carriers. Nor after an action do they trouble any more about their wounded Askari, but just leave them to die."

The above is an extract from an official report received from Brigadier General Northey, the commander of a British column in East Africa. The knowledge that even the soldiers from India who were taken prisoners by the Germans at the beginning of the war, are being done to death in this singularly brutal manner must stiffen still further the determination of every Briton to put an end once for all to an intolerable state of affairs.

Every Colony Suffers

This unmitigated evidence from General Northey is not singular. The evidence of a similar character from every colony that once had the misfortune to be in German hands is overwhelming. It also bears out the letter of the threats which Germany uttered before the war to unbelieving ears. She has promised again and again in her official "Kriegsbrauch im Landkreise," no less than in the works of her most noted writers, to shrink from no cruelty calculated to inspire terror to her advantage. This being so, proofs that she has kept her word may seem unnecessary. It is, nevertheless, advisable, now that the imminent prospect of defeat is inducing her to veil as far as possible her former deeds and utterances, to keep the memory of the past before us. That the present deeds of Germany are in exact keeping with those she has committed in the past intensifies the charge against her.

A British Blue Book gives details

Good Night Stories

By *Blanche Selous*

DICKY'S LITTLE DREAM GIRL. All day long Dicky played out under the apple tree, happy as a lark. He was so quiet that mamma wondered what he was doing. She had baked him an apple pie in a tiny tin pan, and with it behind her back she softly stole out the kitchen door.

"Yes, these are yours and these are mine," she heard Dicky say. "This you can put in an apple pie for me—what? Of course I mean a mud pie. When we get bigger mamma will let us make a real apple pie," continued Dicky. Mamma peeked around the corner of the house. She was surprised to see Dicky alone, dividing his store of apples into two piles.

"Why, where's your playmate?" mamma exclaimed, looking all around. Dicky drew an imaginary playmate to his mamma's side.

"My little dream girl. She comes every day to play with me," answered Dicky.

Mamma pretended to shake hands with the little girl, and Dicky laughed.

"You see, I get so lonesome, playing alone, that I just made up this little girl to talk to," exclaimed Dicky.

"Golden hair and blue eyes?" asked mamma.

"Brown hair and brown eyes," replied Dicky, and mamma laughed.

"Well, I've made you both a nice apple pie," she said, and, kissing Dicky, mamma gave him the pie and went back to her work.

Dicky cut it into two pieces and, holding out one piece to his imaginary playmate, said:

"That's yours because it's the biggest."

A tiny hand reached through the pickets of the fence and snatched the piece of pie.

Dicky, startled, looked up and met the smiling eyes of a dirty-faced little girl. Dicky watched the piece of pie disappear, then the hand shot out for more.

"Please, I'm hungry!" said the little girl.

Dicky handed her his slice.

"Why don't you go home if you're hungry?" he asked.

"I never had a home, only the orphan's home, and I don't like it, so I'm going to run away," replied the little girl.

"Maybe if you'd wash your face mamma would let me play with you," suggested Dicky, opening the gate.

"And she'll give you some money if you're hungry."

The little girl followed her new friend into the house. Dicky explained the situation to mamma, and mamma washed the dirty face and hands and combed the tangled hair.

She gave the children a nice little dinner all by themselves. The girl was invited to remain and play with Dicky, and the two raced and played together so beautifully that mamma telephoned the orphan asylum for permission to keep the runaway over night, then tucked the little stranger into a little bed with a big mother kiss. And the next morning the little girl was up and ready to set table for mamma.

This pleased mamma so much that she looked into the record of the little one and at last signed papers that made the little girl Dicky's legal sister. Both children were very happy.

"She's just as good as my dream girl, even if her hair is yellow. I guess we'd better call her Sunshine," laughed Dicky.

So the little orphan found a real home and Dicky found his little dream girl. They were all very happy.

of an indisputable character relating to a great number of trials in German Southwest Africa before the war. These clearly indicate that savage treatment of natives by Germany is the exception, but the rule, and it is evident that the principle generally accepted was that a native could be shot at sight for any alleged offence. The following are merely instances from very many similar cases.

Walter Bohmer, N. C. O., murdered two Hereros and wounded two others. They were running away from service; he just called them to him and shot them.

Frank Jusez, police officer, murdered a native accused of theft by kicking and stamping him to death after flogging him.

A Bushman was flogged to death on the off chance that he meant to steal.

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Many Villages Burnt

As illustrative of the German attitude in the Cameroons toward native natives during the war, a passage from a captured document is peculiarly illuminating. The Duala natives were believed to be making themselves useful to the British, chiefly by acting as guides. Every Duala village within reach of the German troops was therefore ordered to be burned and every severity practised. On October 7, 1914, a German official von Englebrecht, formerly private secretary to the governor of the colony, wrote to Hauptmann Geiser, a German commander, giving instructions to the effect already stated. This document contains the following passages:

"Prisoners will only be made when they are caught red-handed and can be legally tried and condemned to death." The obvious implication that it would be wise to dispose of the innocent beforehand is startling even from the ex-private secretary of a German Colonial Governor.

He does not for a moment realize that while the governing of a native race may require a firm hand, it equally requires a just and sympathetic mind. It is the truest wisdom to keep in sight the interests of the governed, and this he has never learned.

There is an island in the Pacific called Marakei. It belonged formerly to Germany. The following address from the people of Marakei to the British commander speaks for itself.

"The mind of the men of Marakei, Porasmuch as they understand the benefit of the protection and freedom, after former misrule, afforded by British laws . . . they affirm that as they are prevented from assisting the empire at war in any other way, theirs indeed are the accounts, and they will contribute naught unceasingly for the war and cease not until the war is over. They do not want to be hated, but they like the British government, they are determined that they shall win the war, and that they shall be governed by England for all time. This only is the mind of the men of Marakei."

A Fable on Victory Bond

There was once a Person who talked boastfully about his Swell Home and his Uppishly Upholstered Car. He would drive Fifty Miles to be present at a Picnic where there were Free Eats. He always finished first in races where there were Rich Prizes and No Entrance Fee. When somebody blew him to a Fine Supper at the Big Hotel, he could hurry home to upbraid his Poor Wife because she could not provide such Delicacies of Diet out of an Allowance which kept her Stimping on her own Clothing in order to furnish Decently Digestible Dinners for her Lord and Master. No Child dared Consume Candy in his presence, lest the Omnivorous One should take it away, on the plea of saving the Little Folk Severe Indigestion. At Home he was a Regular Hurricane, for his Business Associates regarded him as a Big Blow.

When a Neighbor Took Sick, our Hero was always sure to have a Sudden Engagement calling him rapidly to Another Quarter of the Town, where he would not have to bother Calling the Doctor. When Giggling Girls came around to collect money for the Red Cross, he was ever ready to give them Free Advice, but looked Pained when they asked him for Cold Cash. If the Plea was Pressed, he took care to thrust his Surplus Earnings into a Pocket with a Button on it, and would shortly be seen beating a Strategic Retreat.

In moments of Extreme Exuberation, induced by Strong Waters for which Somebody Else had Paid, he was wont to describe himself as a Humdinger of a Good Fellow. At Home, however, he was privately considered a Grouch, and at the Office everybody Hated him.

Moral—You can't judge the Size of a Man or a Motor Car by the Noise they make. When Canada, in a week or two, floats a Victory Loan for \$150,000,000, the man who Loosens His Pocket book will not necessarily be a Patriot, but the man who merely Loosens his Tongue will in most cases be a Fraud. The Fellows at the Front are Buying Victory with their blood. The Fellows at Home are Poor Sports if they do not help buy it with their Money.

NERVOUS AILMENTS

Few people realize that nervous ailments often arise from digestive troubles. The stomach fails, for some reason, to digest food properly and the nerves become exhausted in striving to continue their work. Impure blood also causes nerve troubles, but frequently it is in the stomach where the mischief starts. As the nourishment is carried to the nerves by the blood, it will be seen what an important connection exists between the stomach, the nerves and the blood, and how such troubles as nervous headaches, nervous dyspepsia and insomnia may begin.

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