

BRITISH CAMPAIGN IN THE DARDANELLES INTENSIFIED TO RELIEVE PRESSURE ON RUSSIA

Hoped Also to Influence Bulgaria and Italy — Frank Statement of Commission Which Investigated Matter—Fisher Disapproved of Naval Operations Alone, But Remained Silent, Out of Loyalty to Lord Churchill.

London, March 8.—The responsibility for what many persons consider the ill-fated Dardanelles campaign is dealt with in a remarkable candor and clearness by a representative on the inception of the operations issued today by a special commission over which the late Lord Cromer presided. The entire country, particularly Parisians, in the controversy which was waged over the parts played in the Dardanelles drama by Winston Spencer Churchill, then first lord of the admiralty; Lord Fisher, then first sea lord; the late Earl Kitchener, secretary of war, and the then prime minister, Herbert Henry Asquith, have awaited these revelations with the most intense interest.

Report Very Illuminating.

No other document concerning the war has thrown so much light upon the inner history of the operations. Such revelations have seldom been published by any government in time of war. The commission discusses the whole system of British management of naval and military affairs, from the methods of the premier himself down to those of the junior members of the sea lords' board, and expounds critical conclusions with perfect frankness. Far from settling controversies the document appears likely to bring up an interesting case of Winston Spencer Churchill versus "Jacky" Fisher, or at least to leave the friends of those leading actors in the situation with subject matter for a debate as lasting as that surrounding McClellan's campaign in the American civil war.

This was Lord Cromer's last public work. His pen is discernible throughout the document, which he signed on his death bed. The witnesses examined included Mr. Asquith, Col. Churchill, Viscount Grey, former secretary for foreign affairs; Arthur J. Balfour, former first lord of the admiralty, and now foreign secretary; Prime Minister Lloyd George; the Marquis of Crewe, former president of the board of education; Reinhold McKenna, former chancellor of the exchequer, and Viscount Haldane, former lord high chancellor, who were members of Mr. Asquith's cabinet—all the principal personages connected with the expedition, except Earl Kitchener and Lord Fisher. Arthur K. Wilson and other sea lords; Admiral Carden, Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton, who commanded the naval and land operations and many lesser officials.

War Council Proceeding Vague.

The management of the war devolved, in November, 1914, upon a war council of the cabinet, consisting of Mr. Asquith, Earl Kitchener and Mr. Churchill, with Sir Edward Grey, Mr. Lloyd George and the Marquis of Crewe, then heads of the foreign treasury and India, respectively, in charge, but with comparatively inactive advisory functions. Sea Lords Fisher and Wilson were with Mr. Churchill, and chief of staff General Murray, with Earl Kitchener, theoretically as technical advisors, but in practice, according to the report, usually playing silent parts. The commission was "struck with the vagueness and want of precision which seems to have characterized the proceedings of the war council."

Different members, the report says, sometimes left the council with different views as to whether certain questions had been really decided or only provisionally. The Marquis of Crewe and Viscount Haldane expressed the opinion that political members did too much talking, and that the experts took small part in the discussions.

Mr. Churchill testified that Mr. Asquith and Earl Kitchener "settled matters," although he had the same authority. The commission thought his view was over modest. The cabinet, as a body, placed all responsibility on the council, sometimes requesting that it was not to be held accountable on the ground that the fewer who knew of them the better. Earl Kitchener's dominating influence pervades the testimony. The commission says he would not impart full information of his plans, even to the war council. Mr. Churchill described him as "all powerful, imperious and reserved," adding, "He dominated absolutely our councils at this time. The belief that he had plans deeper and wider than any we could see silenced misgivings."

Fisher Against Naval Campaign Alone

General Murray testified that he was never asked to express an opinion on the military plan. The situation at the admiralty was different. Mr. Churchill was not a professional man, like Earl Kitchener, and he consulted Admirals Fisher and Wilson. Admiral Fisher testified that he was "dead against the naval operation alone, because he knew it must be a failure."

The commission comments on this statement as follows: "He did not, at any time, record any such strongly adverse opinions as these. Neither does he appear to have impressed others with the strength of his objection." Admirals Fisher and Wilson said they remained silent at the councils when Mr. Churchill expressed views with which they disagreed, as a form of loyalty to their chief. Mr. Churchill testified that he thought Admiral Fisher was "in full agreement with him." Admiral Fisher once, however, threatened to resign at a council, but Earl Kitchener persuaded him to reconsider. Admiral Fisher's view apparently was that he should defer to the civil head of the admiralty or resign. Mr. Asquith, commenting on the differences between Mr. Churchill and Admiral Fisher, said that they "got on well together all the same."

SENATE PASSES CLOSURE.

Washington, March 8.—An amendment to the senate rules giving two-thirds of its members the power to prevent filibusters and limit debate was passed late today by the senate. The vote was 76 to 3. Senators Gronne, LaFollette and Sherman voting against the change.

THE PREMIER AT THE FRONT.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 8.—Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues are at the battle-front in France today. They will return to London on Monday.

IN FAVOR OF RESISTANCE TO GERMANS

Spanish Socialists Want Spies Punished and Say Submarine War on Merchant Ships Not Humane.

Madrid, via Paris, March 8.—The Socialist party in Spain has taken up a strong position in favor of measures of resistance to the German submarine campaign, and for the punishment of spies. The party has just adopted an appeal to Spaniards on the subject. The appeal reviews the origin of the war, the crushing of Serbia, the invasion of Belgium and the treatment accorded the populations of the invaded countries. Submarine warfare on merchant ships is characterized as being in contempt of humane sentiments. The appeal says the Socialist party unanimously approves suppressing the German spy system, to which it attributes the effectiveness of the German blockade of Spanish ports. It declares the government ought to act energetically against criminal acts by foreign elements, punishing every spy.

BRITISH MAKE ADVANCES ON ANCRE RIVER

London, March 8.—The official report from British headquarters in France tonight reads: "We have advanced our lines slightly on either side of the Ancre Valley, otherwise the situation remains unchanged. "Last night our troops successfully entered the enemy trenches near Baches and secured some prisoners. Southeast of Chauines and south of Arras the enemy raided our front line. In each case the raid was preceded by a heavy bombardment. A few of our men are missing. "The artillery on both sides was active at various points along the whole front. In the neighborhood of Givécy we carried out a bombardment of the enemy trenches."

EXTEND THANKS TO GOVERNMENT FOR PROHIBITION

Ontario Branch of Dominion Alliance Appoint Deputation for that Purpose and Ask Further Restrictions.

Toronto, Mar. 8.—At the provincial convention of the Dominion Alliance this morning a resolution was passed asking that the appointment of license inspectors be made by the license board instead of by the government. The restriction of the sale of medicated wines, the prohibition of liquor advertisements in the newspapers, and the use of the mails, telephones, or telegraph to solicit business for liquor firms was urged by the convention. They also asked that scientific temperance studies be made obligatory in the public schools. A deputation was appointed to thank the Ontario government for the legislation passed in the matter of provincial prohibition.

ONE ST. JOHN MAN IN CASUALTY LIST.

Ottawa, March 8.—Infantry. Wounded—A. K. Robertson, 275 Union street, Moncton, N. B.; J. A. McEae, Mount Vernon, P. E. I. Reported wounded—Lieut. M. Nelly, Middleton, N. S.; T. T. Davernport, Carleton, N. B. Reported wounded, remaining on duty—D. McGillivray, Antigonish, N. S. Berlin, March 8, via Sayville.—An

I.C.R. SHOWS HANDSOME SURPLUS

Made a Million and a Half Dollars on the Year's Operations.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 8.—The outlay on the National Transcontinental Railway was \$11,488,980, on the I. C. R. \$21,702,441, and the P. E. I. Railway \$1,350,472 during the past year according to the annual report of the department of railways and canals just issued. The total expenditure, including the Quebec Bridge, was \$13,627,323. Revenues derived from government railways amounted to \$18,874,830. The Intercolonial earnings were \$14,068,781, and the working expenses \$12,551,495. On the Prince Edward Island Railway there was a deficit of \$154,083, and on the International Railway, a leased line in New Brunswick, \$12,027, exclusive of \$90,000, paid in interest. The government railway mileage is 1,527, an increase of seventy-eight in the year. Passengers carried were 412,535, a decrease of 10,961.

RUSSIA SENDS STRONG PROTEST TO CENTRAL POWERS

Charges them with Violation of Usages of Warfare and Cites Cases.

Petrograd, Mar. 8, via London.—The Russian foreign office has transmitted to the governments of Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey a lengthy protest against alleged violations of usages of warfare, attaching citations of numerous specific instances and asserting the right to retaliate in kind. The violations enumerated were compiled for that purpose by a committee appointed for that purpose. Each citation, it is stated, was amply verified. The abuses charged include the use of explosive bullets, gas, burning liquid and poisoned missiles, the poisoning of wells, misuse of parliamentary (flag of truce) and Red Cross flags, killing of wounded, throwing of bombs upon sanitary trains and the sinking of the hospital ship Portugal. The Russian hospital ship Portugal was sunk in the Black Sea March 30, 1916, by a Turkish submarine.

HAS FULL AUTHORITY TO ARM MERCHANTMEN

Secretary of State and Attorney-General So Advise President Wilson.

Washington, March 8.—Both Secretaries of the resolution of the United States General Gregory have advised President Wilson that he has full authority to arm merchant ships against illegal attacks by German submarines. It was to these two officers—the government's authorities respectively on international questions and law—that the president referred the contention raised in the senate, that old statutes enacted to authorize merchantmen to resist pirates raised an insuperable bar to the step he desired to take to meet the submarine menace. They have reported that the statutes have no application to the present situation. Whether the president will act immediately in accordance with this opinion or will wait to call a special session of congress to pass a resolution similar to that killed by a filibuster during the last session was not revealed tonight.

In view of the action of the senate today in revising its rules to prevent another such filibuster, it was thought in some administration quarters that the president would immediately call an extra session. "Weight was given to this idea by the president's statement last Sunday in which he laid blame for the failure of State Lansing and Attorney-General Gregory to amend its rules and "save the country from disaster." However it was recalled that in the same statement the president expressed the opinion that old statutes might "raise insuperable practicable obstacles." Since then he has received the opinions of the attorney-general and the secretary of state.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Richard, of Dorchester, N. B., announce the engagement of their daughter, Carmelita Hortense, to Captain George Keefe, of this city, the marriage to take place about the middle of April.

NO EMBARGO ON POTATOES AT PRESENT

Investigation Has Revealed that No Need Exists for Such Step.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 8.—There will be no embargo on potatoes and there will be no commandeering of supplies. This was decided upon at a meeting of the cabinet today. There is no necessity for action at the present time. A thorough canvass of the potato situation throughout Canada has been made by Hon. Martin Burrell and from every available source, commercial and governmental, it is learned that there is at least in the country a supply of one and a half million bushels over and above the domestic requirements for food and seed. The only provinces in which there is a shortage of potatoes are Ontario and possibly Quebec, and the probability is that the provincial authorities have taken steps to meet the situation. In British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island there are large surpluses of potatoes. In some quarters there has been a fear lest there should be a shortage of seed, but it was the consensus of opinion of ministers today that the farmers themselves will take care of that situation. Thus passes for the present at any rate the nightmare of a potato shortage.

Sir George Foster, acting prime minister, made the following statement after the cabinet meeting: "Information gathered from official and unofficial sources from all parts of Canada indicates that there is a surplus of potatoes over and above seed and food requirements. Under these circumstances the government does not think that at present an embargo is justified."

LOOKS ON DARCY AS A SLACKER

Albany, N. Y., March 8.—A personal plea by Les Darcy, the Australian boxer, that Governor Whitman reconsider his decision not to permit the fight to appear in the ring in New York State because he had evaded military duty in his own country was turned down by the executive today. "Darcy told me," the governor said today, "that he had tried to enlist about three years ago, but was not permitted to because he was too young, that he had not tried to enlist recently and that he became twenty-one years of age after he left Australia."

"What he told me merely confirms my belief that he is in this country evading military service. He asked permission to participate in at least one bout here so it could be demonstrated that he would not be a party to a brutal exhibition. I declined to grant his request."

BIG EATERS GET KIDNEY TROUBLE

Take a glass of Salts before breakfast if your Back hurts or Bladder bothers you.

The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out, they weaken from overwork, become sluggish, the sliming, five times a day and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health. When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headaches or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys; to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder disorders. Jad Salts is innocuous; cannot injure, makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water beverage, and belongs in every home, because nobody can make a mistake by having a good kidney flushing any time.

"TIZ"—A JOY TO SORE, TIRED FEET

Use "Tiz" for aching, burning, puffed-up feet and corns or callouses.



Good-bye, sore feet, burning feet, swollen feet, tender feet, tired feet. Good-bye, corns, callouses, bunions and raw spots. No more shoe tightness, no more limping with pain or drawing up your face in agony. "Tiz" is magical, acts right off. "Tiz" draws out all the poisonous exudations which puff up the feet. Use "Tiz" and wear smaller shoes. Use "Tiz" and forget your foot misery. Ah! how comfortable your feet feel. Get a 25-cent box of "Tiz" now at any druggist or department store. Don't suffer. Have good feet, glad feet, feet that never swell, never hurt, never get tired. A year's foot comfort guaranteed or money refunded.

PROMINENT AUSTRALIAN PASSES AWAY

John Gavan Duffy, Barrister and Publicist Dies at Melbourne.

Melbourne, Mar. 8, via London.—John Gavan Duffy, widely known barrister and publicist, is dead.

John Gavan Duffy was long prominent in Australian public affairs. He was a member of several ministries, variously postmaster-general and attorney-general and minister without portfolio. In 1887 he was the representative of the Australasian colonies at the Universal Postal Union Congress in Washington. He was born in Dublin in 1844.

"INTERNATIONAL SPY" GAINS BY BERNSTORFF'S DEPARTURE.

Washington, March 8.—The charge against Karl Arragard Graves, self-styled "international spy," accused of

IF YOU WANT GOOD CLOTHES

Clothes as good as they can be made, come to us. You may say that every clothing dealer you know sells good clothes; you have been told by many of them that their clothes are the best, but are they? We don't ask you to take our word for it, ask those who buy their clothes here and have been doing so for years, also examine our suits and overcoats at \$15, \$18, \$20, \$22.50, \$25. You do not need to be an expert to readily see where they excel finished promptly to your measure.

Gilmour's, 68 King St

attempting to extort \$3,000 from Countess Von Bernstorff, wife of the former German ambassador, for certain personal letters he claimed to have intercepted, was nolle prossed yesterday, because the prosecuting witnesses left the country with Count Von Bernstorff.

COUNT ZEPPELIN DIED YESTERDAY

London, Mar. 8.—Count Zeppelin is dead, according to a despatch from Berlin received by Reuters' Telegram Company.

According to a Berlin telegram transmitted by Reuters' Amsterdam correspondent Count Zeppelin died this forenoon at Charlottenburg, near Berlin from inflammation of the lungs.

PRESIDENT WILSON SOMEWHAT IMPROVED.

Washington, March 8.—President Wilson, who has been confined to bed with a cold since yesterday morning, was somewhat improved tonight. He saw no callers during the day, and it was stated that he would remain in bed tomorrow. Dr. Cary T. Grayson said this evening that the president had spent a comfortable day, although he still had fever.

GERMANS

Private S. E. Ralston of His Experience Returned Men Yesterday.

"The Germans still of from Hell," said Private Ralston in conversation with reporters at the Discharge night. "They have a lot of the kills." Private Ralston had been in the front line for several days, and he said that many of the men who were returned to the front were "killed" by the Germans. He mentioned a case of a man named Sydney Mines, who had been in the front line for several days, and he said that many of the men who were returned to the front were "killed" by the Germans. He mentioned a case of a man named Sydney Mines, who had been in the front line for several days, and he said that many of the men who were returned to the front were "killed" by the Germans.

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Had Severe PAIN IN SPASMODIC

Many people who could do more pay an attention perhaps to a day or two. This before they know it, the lungs. Top much stress on the fact that on the cough or cold it must immediately, other years of suffering from lung trouble. Mr. A. George, 3 Toronto, Ont., writes to Wood's Norway Pine Liberty to write you the effect of that you years ago I caught in my chest. I was doctors but without also took many prescriptions which all failed to friends recommend you Pine Syrup, and bottles I was compelled to take to any remedy. "Dr. Wood's" is a wrapper, three pins mark, price 25c. Manufactured for five years by The Limited, Toronto, C.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO RED CROSS SOCIETY

Donations Received by the Local Organization

At the meeting of the Local Red Cross Society, on Monday, many contributions were acknowledged. The donations to the needlework department were:

Junior Red Cross, per Miss R. McAvity, 13 scrap books, 26 towels, 5 small pillow slips; Mrs. W. Whitworth, St. George, 1 quilt; Mrs. G. H. Fowles, 2 arm slings, 1 bed sheet, 1 pair of slippers; Mrs. F. P. Starr, city, 5 field shirts; Mrs. Pierce Downey, Curryville, A. Co., N. B., 1 quilt; Women's Patriotic League, Hillsboro, per Mrs. C. J. Osman, 7 comfort cushions, 10 quilts, 15 1/2 pairs pajamas, 12 hospital shirts, 35 operation stockings, 5 field shirts, 1 package old linen, 5 dressing gowns, 5 pairs hospital slippers; Mrs. R. Patchell's Quilting Circle, 4 quilts; Exmouth street church, per Mrs. Drake, 11 pairs slippers, 6 personal property bags; St. Stephen's church R. C. Circle, per Mrs. H. S. Daley and Miss Janet McIntyre, 12 linen towels; Nurses' Red Cross Circle, per Miss Addy, 12 field shirts, 4 handkerchiefs.

The secretary, Miss Walker, read the donations of money as follows: Mrs. H. E. Wardrop, \$5; Nutes' Club, yarns, \$10.43; Mrs. L. G. Crosby, \$5; Mrs. J. M. Robertson, tea, \$2; Trinity Circle, \$28; Provincial Branch report, \$6; Miss Maria Barre, \$10; Mrs. G. M. Robertson, \$7; British Aid, Patterson Settlement, \$20; Mrs. J. E. Moore, for socks, \$2; St. James' Circle, \$5; Mrs. R. May, \$5; Butternut Ridge, per Mrs. Fowles, \$5; Canadian Rubber Co., per W. R. Stewart, \$25; Miss E. P. Mackenzie, \$5; Mrs. J. N. Inch, Oak Point, \$10; Trinity church, \$4; Miss Augusta Knight, Westfield, \$3; Hoyt, N. B., Women's Institute, per Mrs. Herridge, \$1.10; Mrs. A. P. MacIntyre, \$2; Mrs. T. C. Lee, \$7.50; Centenary Circle, \$25; Stone Church Circle, \$10; P. C. Robinson, Port Elna, \$5; Women's Institute, Queenstown, \$25; St. Luke's Circle, \$5; St. Mary's A. Y. P. A., \$6.45; Main Street Circle, \$37. Total, \$507.60.

Expenditure for materials, \$54.70. Other donations were: Load of wood, Mrs. J. E. Boyce; load of wood, Messrs. T. S. Simms Co.; from inspector, collector and staff of County House, \$31.00 (previously acknowledged). New life members: Mrs. G. Stewart Cameron, Mrs. W. F. Powers, Mrs. T. E. G. Keator, Mrs. Bell.

New associate: G. Pitt, Robt. Thorne, Mrs. E. Springer, E. P. Dykeman, I. A. Hatfield, Mrs. Chas. Flowers, A. L. Roberts, Robt. Dunham, Mrs. S. H. Ganong, J. D. Purdy, Miss P. K. Vanwart, Mrs. C. Gerrfield, Dorcas Dykeman.

From Mr. J. B. Armstrong, \$5 monthly contribution for Sergeant-Major Roy T. Armstrong, prisoner of war in Germany. The reports included one from Stone church, read by Mrs. G. F. Smith, and one from the Main street circle, which has been reorganized, and which as it is a new report practically is read in full: St. John, N. B. March 8, 1917. To the Officers and Members of the Red Cross Society: The Main street Circle beg to submit the following report for the months of January and February. Articles finished and handed in by work committee: 83 towels, 76 pairs of bed sheets, 10 hospital shirts, 7 pajama suits, 31 pairs socks, 5 scarfs, a total of 194, and the following names for membership: Mrs. N. S. Springer, \$1.00; Mrs. Charles Flowers, \$1.00; Mrs. E. H. Ganong, \$1.00; Mrs. G. Gerrfield, \$1.00; Mrs. G. Pitt, \$1.00; Mrs. E. P. Dykeman, \$1.00; Mrs. A. L. Roberts, \$1.00; Mrs. J. D. Purdy, \$1.00; Mrs. Dorcas Dykeman, \$1.00; Mrs. Robt. Thorne, \$1.00; Mrs. J. A. Hatfield, \$1.00; Mrs. Robt. Dunham, \$1.00; Miss P. K. Vanwart, \$1.00; total, \$13.00. Received from entertainment, \$24.00; received from collections, \$15.00; total \$39.00. Respectfully submitted, E. M. FLEWELLING, Secretary.