

## British Government Stands Firm.

Prime Minister Makes Position  
Clear—Only One Possible Answer  
to De Valera's Claim.

### LOYD GEORGE'S REPLY.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—Mr. Lloyd George cancelled the Independence Conference in his reply to the communication of Eamon De Valera, published today. The Prime Minister said he must now consult with his colleagues the course of action the situation necessitated. Mr. Lloyd George told Sinn Féin leaders that he would communicate the result of such consultation as soon as possible, but must make it absolutely clear that the British Government could not reconsider its position as stated by him in the text of Mr. Lloyd George's reply, which was telegraphed to-night says.

Northcliffe's utterances on Disarmament and Pacific problems are declared to be having a profound effect here.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—

A Reuters despatch from Sydney says the Australian coal miners have decided to limit a working fortnight to nine days instead of eleven. Owners regard this movement as an attempt to obtain a six hour day.

### Is the Sailing Ship Coming Back?

(From the Chicago Tribune.)

A great deal of the beauty and romance of the sea passed with the decline of the sailing ship. There is nothing about it today, not even an American cup winner, that could give the romantic thrill of a clipper under full sail. As for speed, only a relatively few steam driven ships surpass even today the fastest of the clippers, which sometimes ran 350 knots in twenty-four hours.

The sailing ship gave way to the steamship because the latter was more reliable as to runs and was not hung up by calms or slowed down so much by head winds and gales, and finally could be operated in larger units. It has been displaced forever. It survives, through chiefly under force and at risk, but most ocean freight is carried by the steam driven vessel.

But now there is talk of the revival of the sailing ship as a carrier. The Suez and the Panama Canals have shortened the world routes materially, coal is becoming a more expensive fuel, and oil is not so cheap. So there are interesting proposals for a return to sails. Of course there would be for and aft instead of the old square sails, and there would be machinery for handling and an auxiliary in case of calm.

A naval architect of standing has come forward with a design of this kind, making steel use of the Diesel engine, steel wire running gear, and electricity for lighting and heating. American ships have been operating with many as seven masts and the use of power would permit the operation of large units with a comparatively small crew.

In long voyages, carrying freight from the Far East to America and Europe, such ships would make good time and would be cheaper to operate than the coal burner. The problem is not a simple one, but it is by no means impossible that commerce can make profitable use once more of the cheap power supplied by nature in the great trade winds. The fore-and-aft will never match the beauty of the square rigged clipper, but with the aid of auxiliary machinery it can be made safer and far more comfortable. In such cases men of the white races may be more willing to follow the sea than they have been since modern industry has made it possible to live on terra firma with the aid of good wages. Something at least of the old charm of the sailing ship may yet be recovered for the romantic and without a return of the miseries and dangers of the older sea dog's existence.

### DOOR STILL OPEN.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—Arrangements for the proposed Irish Peace Conference are cancelled, but negotiations still are not ruptured. In brief is the story of to-day's unexpected and surprising developments. Eamon De Valera, Irish Republican leader, having reaffirmed his claim to enter the Conference as representative of an Independent Sovereign State, Mr. Lloyd George declares that such admission is impossible. He announces the cancellation of arrangements for the Conference, and the necessity of consulting his colleagues on the subject. The Prime Minister is careful not to close the door to a possible resumption of negotiations. On the contrary he gives Mr. De Valera and his supporters ample time and opportunity to reconsider their position. He describes himself even as "laid up" with rheumatism necessitating a few days' rest. The whole tone of the letter in fact reveals that the Prime Minister still retains hope of some favorable development. The fact that Mr. Lloyd George is suffering from chill was rumored at his official residence in Downing Street tonight. It was also rumored that it would be necessary for the Prime Minister to remain in bed for a few days. 12 BORN at 10.

### CUTTING THEM OUT.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—A Reuters Melbourne correspondent writes that pending the trial of George Armitage in California, an American film showing in Australia has been withdrawn.

### SINGA, British India, Sept. 15.

It is reported that a number of prominent agitators were arrested yesterday.

### MELBOURNE, Sept. 15.

The Federal Government will take action on the question of Australia's representation at the Disarmament Conference at Washington, until after the return of Premier Hughes, Lord



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Buying your Blankets now at these prices will lessen the cost of the supply that you must have when the cold nights set in.

**WHITE UNION BLANKETS**—70 per cent. wool; Blankets that will give all the year-round service; size 50 x 70 in.; blue borders, hemmed ends. Special Sale **\$6.50**

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**ART SATENS**—Exceptional values, in a wide range of beautiful patterns; soft finish; 25 and 30 inches wide; suitable for draping, furniture covering or quilting. Reg. **60c.**

**HEARTH RUGS**—A special offer of high grade Hearth Rugs at substantial savings; values that will help to brighten up your rooms. Velvet Pile Rugs in an assortment of beautiful colorings; size 27 x 55, fringed ends. Regular \$8.00 values for **\$4.50**

Regular \$7.75 values for **\$5.75**

**FELTEX FLOOR COVERING**—2 yards wide; numerous designs—Tile, Diamond, Floral, etc., also in plain Brown. Reg. **\$1.50**

2.00 yard for **\$1.50**

**WHITE CROCHET QUILTS**—A Crochet Bedspread, adds the finishing touch of refinement to any bedroom, and these of selected cotton, bleached white, are made in such pretty designs that you will want one for every bedroom; size 2 yards x 2 1/2 yards. Reg. \$2.00 each for **\$2.56**

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**Handsome New Dress Materials at Sale Prices**

The new materials for Fall and Winter are here—the kind you have been eagerly awaiting. There are shades and weaves here to suit every taste. Note these offerings for Friday and Saturday.

**English Costume Cloths.**—50 inches wide; new shades of Grey, Blue, Brown and Heather mixtures. \$3.00 **\$1.50**

40 inches wide; shades of Grey, Blue, Brown and Green. \$2.50 values selling for **95c.**

**Mercerized Poplins.**—38 inches wide; shades of Fumec, Lt. Brown, Navy, Grey, Cream and Black. \$3.00 **\$1.55**

values selling for **\$1.55**

**Paillette Silk.**—36 inches wide; colors of Reseda, Brown, Pink, Sky and Apricot. Regular value \$4.25 yard for **\$2.70**

Navy only. Reg. \$2.50 yard for **\$2.15**

**Black Figured Sealette.**—Extra special value; 45 inches wide. Regular \$16.50 yard for **\$8.25**

Regular \$18.00 yard for **\$9.00**

**Where Men Buy With Confidence**

Buying your needs does not take much time if you choose the right place. At the Royal Stores everything that you require is available at once. Style and Quality are guaranteed; prices are always moderate.

**Men's Overcoats**

A few facts about these Overcoats: Models—Single and double breasted, plain and slit backs. Materials—Heather Mixed Tweeds in Green & Grey. Sizes—36 to 42 inch chest. Other details—Raised seams, roll collar, good satin linings.

Double breasted. Reg. \$26.00 each. Sale Price **\$13.35**

Single breasted. Reg. \$25.00 each. Sale Price **\$16.65**

**Felt Hats for Fall at Half Price**

A large selection of Felt Hats—200 in all—offered at half their usual cost. Included are many of the smartest and most useful shades for fall wear; sizes from 6 1/2 to 7 1/2.

Regular \$ 6.00 values for **\$3.00**

Regular \$ 7.50 values for **\$3.75**

Regular \$ 9.75 values for **\$4.88**

Regular \$10.25 values for **\$5.13**

Regular \$11.50 values for **\$5.75**

Regular \$14.00 values for **\$7.00**

## Blouses in Charming Styles



For ordinary every day wear, there is no more sensible garment—and nothing that gives her a more trim appearance—than a pretty Blouse or Shirtheast. The new models for Fall are everything that is desirable.

**Shantung Shirtheasts.**—Attractive in style and price; natural Shantung Waists with two-way collar; high and low fronts, finished with tucked effects and pearl buttons; size 36-40. Reg. \$5.25 each **\$4.45**

for **\$4.45**

**Georgette Blouses.**—In shades of Grey only. These charming Blouses have a pretty roll collar with pearl buttons down the front; beaded and embroidered designs in contrasting colors on collars and fronts; size 34 to 40 inch. Reg. **\$7.50**

**Women's Pyjamas**

Well made Flannellette Pyjamas for women; good striped pattern in assorted colors; silk braid forming motif on front; neat breast pocket, draw string at waist, buttoned at sides; all sizes. Reg. \$3.75 each for **3.35**

**Women's Corsets**

Fine White Coutil Corsets for average figures, straight supple lines, medium busts, four hose supporters. Reg. \$3.90 pair for **3.50**

**Fleece-Lined Vests**

Fine White Jersey-knit Vests that will greatly interest the woman who desires a warm low neck and sleeveless undergarment; sizes 36 to 42 inch; trimmed with fibre silk, round necks. Reg. \$2.20 each for **1.95**

**Infants' Polka Jackets**

Dainty little garments in White Fleece, fitted close at neck, bows of baby ribbon front and collar edged with color. Reg. 65c. each for **38c.**

**Child's Wool Sweaters.**—In colors of Navy, Brown, Khaki and Cardinal; suitable for Fall wear; fitted close at neck; coat style; patch pockets. To fit a child of 8 to 10 years. Reg. \$4.50 each for **\$3.70**

To fit a child of 10 to 12 years. Reg. \$4.80 each for **\$4.00**

**Men's Underwear**

Stanfield's popular make of Knitted Underwear. Shirts and Pants of medium weight, suitable for fall wear; sizes 34 to 42 inch. Reg. \$2.10 pair **\$1.90**

**Good Values in Socks**

A big collection of Cashmere and Fingering Wool Half Hosiery, plain and ribbed, in Heather mixtures and in Black; all sizes. \$1.75 and \$1.35 values selling for **\$1.35**

24 dozen pairs All Wool Cashmere Hosiery in assorted shades Heather; sizes 10, 10 1/2, and 11 inch. Reg. \$1.15 pair for **95c.**

**Men's Handkerchiefs**—White Cotton, large sizes; hemmed ready for use. Special **16c.**

**Men's Braces**—8 dozen pairs adjustable Braces; elastic webbing and leather ends; nickel buckles. Reg. 75c. pair for **42c.**

**Boys' Cotton Ties, 17c**

50 dozen Wide End Ties suitable for schoolboys, in a wide range of colorings and designs. Special, each **17c.**

**Men's Silk Brocade Ties**—Smart Derby shapes, newest patterns and smart colorings. Reg. \$1.35 each for **\$1.15**

**Tinted Cushion Tops**

Size 15 x 15 in.; Fawn or Drab grounds with colored floral designs. Regular 25c. **20c.**

**The Royal Stores, Ltd.**

15 dozen Handkerchiefs, White Linen, Lawn and Muslin; some trimmed with lace, others plain hemstitched. Regular 25c. each for **20c.**

## Fall Footwear

Reliable Footwear of world-wide reputation for quality, dependability, style and comfort. Footwear of a sort that is seldom offered at such moderate prices.

**WOMEN'S LACED BOOTS**—50 pairs Black Gun Metal Boots, with Cuban heels, medium toes; sizes 3 to 7; Ideal Boot for Fall wear. Regular \$8.00 pair **\$6.00**

**WOMEN'S TAN SHOES**—40 pairs Brown Kid; tied, laced and cross strap styles; medium and pointed toes. Cuban and medium heels; sizes 3 to 7. Reg. **\$6.30**

**CHILD'S BUTTONED BOOTS**—A few pairs only Black Kid Shoes with soft leather soles; sizes 2 to 4; buttoned styles. Reg. \$1.20 pair for **96c.**

**MEN'S GUN METAL BOOTS**—30 pairs only Black Gun Metal Bluchers; wide fitting styles; sizes 6 to 9. Reg. \$12.25 pair for **\$9.80**

**YOUTH'S BOOTS**—Black Gun Metal Bluchers, stout soles; sizes 9 to 13. Reg. \$4.00 pair for **\$3.20**

**Women's Fall Stockings**

**ALL WOOL STOCKINGS**—7 dozen pairs Black Seamless Stockings, fashioned legs; sizes 9 and 9 1/2 inch. To those who require a reliable hard-wearing stocking we recommend this line. Regular \$2.20 pair for **\$1.90**

**BLACK RIBBED HOSE**—Strong dependable Hose, seamless soles and heels, fashioned leg, garter tops; sizes 9, 9 1/2 and 10 in. Regular \$1.20 pair for **90c.**

## Fall and Winter Hats



**For Women and Misses**

A notable collection of Women's Ready-to-Wear Hats is offered this week at a clearing price of **\$2.75**

Values up to \$7.50. Smart looking Hats in colors that are all the rage for present Fall wear. There is a wide range of captivating styles from which to choose the one in which you look your best.

## SCHOOL BOOKS & STATIONERY

**ROYAL SERIES**—Royal Primers, Special ea. 8c. Royal Readers No. 1. Spec. ea. each **13c.**

Royal Readers No. 2. Spec. ea. each **25c.**

Royal Readers No. 4. Spec. ea. each **60c.**

Royal Readers No. 5. Spec. ea. each **75c.**

Royal Readers No. 6. Spec. ea. each **90c.**

Royal Arithmetic Nos. 1, 2 and 3. Special each **5c.**

**CHRISTIAN BROS. SERIES**—Primers, Special each **8c.**

1st Reader, Special each **7c.**

2nd Reader, Special each **25c.**

3rd Reader, Special each **38c.**

4th Reader, Special each **48c.**

5th Reader, Special each **70c.**

School Expositor, Part 1. 10c. Grammars **9c.**

Catechisms **5c.**

Table Books, Special each **5c.**

Hamblin Smith's Arithmetic, ea. each **17c.**

Nelson's Royal Atlas for Canada, including Map of Newfoundland, each **\$1.15**

Excelsior Big Scribbler, Ruled or Plain, Special ea. **8c.**

Goliath Scribbler, 100 Pages, Special each **10c.**

Exercise Books, smooth paper, 40 Pages. Special each **8c.**

Exercise Books, Black Oil Cloth Covers, 80 Pages. Special each **22c.**

Drawing Books, small size, (Black Sheets). Special each **10c.**

Drawing Books, large size, (Black Sheets). Special each **14c.**

Newfoundland Geographies, each **36c.**

"My First" Geography, each **25c.**

Automatic Compass and Divider, Each **24c.**

Nonpoisonous Art Crayons in pkts. of 8 assorted colors; per pkt. **8c.**

Geometrical Sets (14 piece sets); per set **50c.**

Leatherette Pencil Boxes with clasp, containing 6 articles for **60c.**

Eagle Butterfly Pencils with pro and repelling movements and finest Black Leads; each **14c.**

Magie Pen Knives; each **21c.**

Pocket Pencils, Gilt finish point protectors and lengtheners and red eraser rubbers; each **12c.**

Black Vulcanite Pen Holders; each **10c.**

Red and Blue colored Pencils; each **7c.**

Indelible Lead Pencils; each **6c.**