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7. Disappointment over Paris Conference

Had hoped to combine London meetings and Paris Conference in a single visit overseas:
Inconvenience of too many conferences, What is more serious:

Paris Conference has not met because of lack of agreement on fundamentals among great powers.

Great powers should not settle all details of peace treaties in advance: but equally no object in a conference until agreement in principle on fundamentals among the great powers.

Necessity of doing nothing to widen breach between great powers - time and patience - not too much talk - peace will be built slowly.

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