

GREY'S GREAT SPEECH

Defines British Attitude.

Rejects Dishonorable Offer of Germany

Insists on Respect for Belgian Neutrality Will Prevent German Fleet from Bombarding French Coast. Will Make Written Agreement with France as to Material Support. Bonar Law Gives Unionist Support. Redmond Promises Irish Will Unite to Defend Ireland from Foreign Foe. John Burns Resigns. Overseas Dominions Support Mother Country.

Special to Evening Telegram.

LONDON, Aug. 3. Sir Edward Grey, in making a statement to the Commons to-day on the war situation, said he understood the German Parliament would be prepared, "if we can pledge our neutrality," to agree for its fleet not to attack the Northern coast of France. He declared this offer was far too narrow a compromise for consideration. The maintenance of Belgium's neutrality was becoming a more serious question every hour. The Cabinet felt strongly that France was entitled to know immediately whether in the event of an attack on her unprotected northern and western coasts she could depend on British support. The Foreign Secretary said England did not construe anything in its previous diplomatic relations with other Powers in this matter as restricting its freedom to decide what her attitude should be now. "If a foreign fleet," he said, "comes down the Channel and bombards the French coast, England could not stand aside." In other parts of his speech Grey said, "If the independence of Belgium should be destroyed, the

Independence of Holland also would be gone." The Foreign Secretary then asked the House to

consider what British interests were at stake, "if in a crisis like this we were to run away." This was greeted with loud cheers. Sir Edward continued, "Do not imagine that if a great power stands aside in a war like this, it is going to be in a position to exert its influence at the end. I am not quite sure whether the facts regarding Belgium are as they reached this Government, but there is an old obligation on this country to do its utmost to prevent the consequences which these facts would lead to if they were not opposed. We have as yet made no engagements for sending an expeditionary force out of this country, but we have mobilized our fleet, and mobilization of our arms is taking place. We must be prepared for the consequences of using all our strength."

At any Moment we Know not How Soon, We May Have to Defend Ourselves.

So far as the forces of the Crown are concerned, the Premier and First Lord of the Admiralty have no doubt whatever of their readiness and their efficiency. They never were at a higher mark of readiness. There never was a time when confidence was more justified in their ability to protect our shores and our com-

merce. If the situation develops, as it seems probable it will develop, we shall face it. I believe when the country realizes what is at stake it will support the Government, with determination and with endurance." From all parts of the House there came roars of cheering. In the preceding part of the discourse, while discussing the question of Belgium, Sir Edward Grey said, "It is said we might stand aside to husband our resources in order to intervene at the end to put things right. If in a crisis of this kind we run away from our obligations, honor and interest with regard to the Belgian treaty, I doubt whether whatever material force we might have at the end, it would be of much value in face of the respect we should have lost." At this point Sir Edward was interrupted by loud cheering, but continued, "If we engaged in war we should suffer but little more than if we stood aside. We are going to suffer terribly in this war, whether this country is at peace or war, for Foreign Trade is going to stop." Sir Edward gave an explanation of what occurred during the mid-ocean crisis in 1911. He said he took precisely the same view in 1912. He continued:

"It is decided that we ought to have a definite understanding in writing as to the military and naval forces of France and England were not binding on either side. That is our starting point. That statement clears the ground as to the settlement of our obligations."

Sir Edward continued: "The present crisis has not originated in a matter which principally concerns France. No country had less desire to be involved in the Austro-Serbian dispute than France. France was involved because of its obligations of honor. We have had a long-standing friendship with France. As to how far that friendship entails obligations let every man look into his own heart and feelings, and construct the extent of our obligations. At last the suspense is at an end. We believe every Briton with any sort of manhood in him will hear the news with relief. Since Germany will have it, she shall have it in full measure," said Grey. "No nation ever went into war with better heart or clearer conscience than Britain does now." Towards the close of his speech Grey said, "We must be prepared and we are prepared to face the consequences of using all our strength, at any moment, we know not how soon, in order to defend ourselves."

LONDON, Aug. 3. James Ramsay Macdonald, the Socialist Labor member, declared he was not persuaded that Britain was in danger, or that her honor was involved. He was convinced she should have remained neutral. Andrew Bonar Law warmly supported the Government, and referred amid cheers, to the pledges of support received from the British Dominions Overseas.

LONDON, Aug. 3. Wild cheering from all parts of the House, greeted John Redmond, the Nationalist leader, when he assured the Government that every soldier in Ireland might be withdrawn to-morrow, and the coasts of Ireland would be defended against invasion by her armed sons—the Catholics of the South and the Protestants of Ulster.

LONDON, this a.m. John Burns, President of the local Government Board, has resigned. He disagrees with the war policy of the Government. It is believed in unofficial circles in London that war will be declared within 24 hours.

BERLIN, Aug. 3. The cruiser Augsburg sends the following by wireless: "Am bombarding the naval harbor at Libau, and am engaging the enemy's cruiser. The naval port of Libau is in flames. Libau is one of the principal naval ports in Russia, located in the Baltic."

PARIS, Aug. 3. Two defeats of German troops invading France have been announced here. It is stated that in one engagement on the frontier, the Twisland Uhlans, the famous cavalry of the Kaiser's army, have been routed by

the French troops, two thousand prisoners being captured and two German officers and twenty soldiers being killed.

LONDON, Aug. 3. A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from Paris, says the German troops have taken possession of the Belgian town of Arlon.

LONDON, Aug. 3. The Standard says there is every possibility of the formation of a coalition Government in the British Isles to tide over the present crisis. Andrew Bonar Law, Lord Lansdowne and Mr. Balfour, Opposition Leaders, were in consultation with the Cabinet Ministers to-day.

BALCOURT, France, Aug. 3. Germans opened fire on the French posts at Petit Croix, yesterday; details not known.

BERLIN, via Brussels, Aug. 3. The Russian Ambassador at Berlin, has been handed his passports.

LONDON, Aug. 3. The Daily Chronicle publishes a rumor that Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, has been assassinated. The rumor is not confirmed.

PARIS, Aug. 3. The German Ambassador is still at his post in Paris to-day, and there is no indication of his intention to leave.

PARIS, Aug. 3. The invasion of French territory by German troops is regarded in official circles here as making war between the two countries automatically without formal declaration.

LONDON, Aug. 3. The greatest satisfaction is expressed on all sides at the loyalty to the Mother Country shown by the Overseas Dominions. The Telegraph says that the Dominions are with the Mother Country heart and soul. It would seem as if our attitude had been interpreted by the German Government as one of craven apprehension. She shall see. "From this moment on let the word be 'let them have it.'" The only peace-at-any-price papers that are left are the Daily News and Reynolds. The former even whines cravenly that violation of the Belgian neutrality guaranteed by Britain is no casus belli. The Chronicle has recanted, and accepts Britain being involved, as inevitable.

LONDON, Aug. 3. To-day being Bank Holiday, when all business, except in a few small shops, is suspended, London wore a Sabbath air. The streets and parks were crowded by people in their best clothes, congregating around Parliament and other Government buildings and at the newspaper offices, awaiting war news. Save for the display of a few flags, there were no patriotic demonstrations, but Ministers attending Cabinet meetings, were cheered as they entered or departed from Downing Street.

LONDON, Aug. 3. The Baltic Corn Exchanges opened this morning, but little business was done. All foreign Embassies and Consulates also opened. Swarms of nationalities of both sexes gathered at the German and French establishments asking for passports. The German Embassy was guarded by half a dozen police detectives; and a number of the staff were packed in their offices ready to leave at short notice if developments required.

LONDON, Aug. 3. The House of Lords passed without discussion, the Bill suspending temporarily the payment of Bills of Exchange, giving the Government power to declare Moratorium. The Bill immediately received the Royal assent. The Marquis of Lansdowne said that the Opposition was willing to support the Government in any difficulties in which it might find itself.

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The Crescent Picture Palace was packed to capacity last night. The prevailing weather conditions did not prevent the people from attending in large numbers and it is sufficient to state that all were delighted with the programme, the principal item of which was the first appearance of Miss Clark, the prima donna, who certainly can lay claim to the title. Four splendid reels of pictures. The first, a two reel drama which looked for the attention of the patrons to the last. Miss Clark then appeared and was greeted with a hearty welcome. She sang variations from popular ballads which so pleased her hearers that the talented songstress responded to the third encore.

To-morrow the holiday bill an entire change. "A Romance of the Forest" is the feature subject in two reels, and Miss Clark will please her hearers with one of her best successes.

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Here and There.

REPORT UFTURE.—It is not true that the Allan Liner Carthaginian will proceed from Philadelphia direct to Portsmouth, as currently reported around the city last evening.

NO WORD OF THEIR LEAVING.—The S. S. Cacouna and S. S. Digby were supposed to have left Montreal and Liverpool, respectively, on Friday and Saturday, but no word of their so doing has yet been received.

LABRADOR FISHERY A BLANK.—The Postmaster General had a message from the S. S. Kyle yesterday to the effect that the ship had connected with the Sagona at Battle Harbor on Sunday. The Labrador fishery was reported blank and the ice is clearing off the coast.

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PROCLAMATION!

GEORGE the FIFTH by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

His Britannic Majesty's Government find themselves under the necessity of availing themselves of the power reserved under Article 8 of the International Telegraph Convention and Article 17 of the International Radio-Telegraph Convention to suspend the transmission of telegrams and radio-telegrams to and from or in transit through the United Kingdom, and to and from or in transit through all British Possessions and all British Protectorates whatsoever, save and except such telegrams and radio-telegrams as are on the service of His Majesty's Government or of the Government of any British Possession or Protectorate.

With a view, however, to minimize inconvenience to the public, His Britannic Majesty's Government will, until further notice, and as an act of grace, permit the transmission of such telegrams and radio-telegrams in plain language as foreign Governments or the public choose to send, provided that such telegrams and radio-telegrams are written in English or French, and on the understanding that they are accepted at the sender's risk and subject to censorship by the British authorities; that is, that they may be stopped, delayed or otherwise dealt with in all respects at the discretion of those authorities and without notice to the senders; and that no claims in respect of them, whether for the reimbursement of the sums paid for transmission or otherwise, will be considered by His Majesty's Government in any circumstances whatever. It is, moreover, essential that such telegrams and radio-telegrams should bear the sender's name at the end of the text, otherwise they are liable to be stopped until the name is notified by paid telegram. Registered abbreviated addresses will not be accepted, either as addresses or as the names of senders.

Note.—The term "telegram" is applied to radio-telegram messages sent from shore to shore, as well as to those sent by cable or land line. The term "radio-telegram" is used to denote messages exchanged between ships and the shore.

Given under the Great Seal of Our Island of Newfoundland, Witness Our trusty and well beloved Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in Our said Island, this 3rd day of August, A.D., 1914, and in the Fifth Year of Our Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,
JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

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