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UNEASYP RUSIA.

In extent of territory Russia is second among the nations of the world. Only the British empire has a larger area.

Only the British empire and the United States compare with Russia in natural resources and potential wealth.

But Russia has met with many obstacles in working out her career of national development.

Owing more than half of Europe Russia is almost shut out from the usual sea routes of the continent.

Which is nearly surrounded by water. Possessing more than one-third of Asia she has not the effective use of any of the outlets of water which are necessary for the development of her trade.

Aspiring to be a naval power she has built up a fleet under the greatest difficulties because she has no ports without ice.

Black Sea ports can only be reached by a passage which Russian war ships are forbidden to use, and those of the Baltic are available.

The long water front of Russia, both European and Asiatic, is the Arctic Ocean, which is not navigable in the ordinary sense of the word.

South-western Russia has its natural outlet into the Mediterranean, but the route from that route even for commercial purposes is not under Russian control.

Left by herself to deal with Turkey Russia would long ago have extended her frontier to the Mediterranean, but every movement in that direction has been frustrated by other powers.

Russia is the dominant power in the central part of Asia. Her domain here is what is called Central Asia embracing 1,600,000 square miles, including the Steppes, Turkestan, and the trans-Caspian territory.

Much of this has been added within the last third of a century. Since the days of Peter the Great it has been the policy of Russia to gain an outlet on the southern coast of Asia.

Her frontiers are and have for a quarter of a century been within easy distance of the Persian Gulf. Thitherward her armies, her intriguers, her railway builders and her traders have steadily pressed.

Her subtle diplomacy has been felt at the court of Persia and employed during the claims and possessions of the throne of Afghanistan. But here Great Britain has blocked the way.

No one knows how near to England and Russia have been over the steady advance movement of Russia toward the frontier of India and the longed-for coast. Of late Great Britain has adopted plain speech and declared that the Persian Gulf is within her sphere of influence.

Baffled in her efforts to reach the sea in Southern Europe and Southern Asia, Russia saw her chance to obtain a clear road to the Pacific in a climate suitable for a trade route as well as for a naval headquarters.

Vladivostok, the chief eastern port of Siberia, is a summer port only, and lies too far north to be a great trade route. Port Arthur and Dalny met the case exactly, and it was so much the better, that their occupation brought Manchuria under Russian control and promised to St. Petersburg large influence at Peking.

Without for a moment giving up the hope of reaching the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean, Russia saw in China and on the Pacific some solace for her long period of disappointment and her many failures. And now it appears that this hope has been swept away and that the nation must once more look to the south.

But for a long time after this war Russia will need to give her attention to home affairs. She can never realize her ideas and hopes of greatness until the mass of the Russian people become patriotic. Beyond doubt the ruling class in Russia, including the great majority of the aristocracy, and the officers of the army and navy are devoted to their country and their sovereignty. But these alone would not be capable of saving the country if they were all wise and upright, whereas many of them are corrupt and the majority do not appear to be very sagacious.

Loyalty to the fatherland must be made popular, as it is in Germany, before Russia can recover the prestige that she had in the days when she fought Charles the Twelfth or later when she encountered Napoleon.

Russian soldiers fight as bravely as any others, but it seems to do its part of the day's work and not because they are interested in the result. Nine Russians out of ten met in other countries are either indifferent in regard to this struggle, or else say plainly that they hope Japan will win.

One cannot imagine such a feeling on the part of Englishmen or Frenchmen, or Germans, or citizens of the United States. The Poles are still a subject race who are only technically Russian. Natives of Finland have become enemies of Russia. The Jews within the empire are filled with just resentment. A large proportion of the professional people, the student class, the men and women of letters, are loyal to Russia, but sternly hostile to the Russian government.

The peasants, who comprise the great majority of the population, are stolid fatalists, accepting their lot as beasts of burden do, having little personal ambition, and no aspirations for their country.

It is a work of long and earnest years to change all this, but it must be changed before Russia can hope to rescue herself from her present position. The machine which has been produced and operated by the bureaucratic method has broken down. Russia was supposed to be stronger as a military power than any other element which makes up the life and strength of a nation. If she cannot fight she cannot prevail in any other way. It becomes necessary for her statesmen to begin a great work of development among the people themselves.

Quebec press allows his cause to suffer in that province by the failure to use strong language.

NO MORE OF THAT. It seems that when Mr. Haultain protested to Mr. Scott, Sir Wilfrid's secretary of state, against the coercion of the west, Mr. Scott pleaded that he government desired nothing more than to legislate in accord with the act of confederation.

"Then," said Mr. Haultain, "leave the school question to be settled by the privy council and the minority in the west will get all that the constitution provides."

Mr. Scott's reply was that this was done in the case of Manitoba and the government was determined not to try that experiment again.

Under the privy council decision Manitoba retains the power to regulate her own schools. The government will have no more of that sort of thing.

SIR WILFRID'S CONFIDANTS. Mr. Haultain, premier of the Northwest, was called to Ottawa to discuss with the Laurier government in advance the constitution of the new provinces. He had several conferences with the dominion premier. Yet not until the day that the bill was introduced was he informed that the autonomy bill would leave the provinces without power over their own school system. There is no doubt that Sir Wilfrid Laurier took Monsignor Sbarrett fully and early into his confidence on this question, while he kept the head of the Northwest government entirely in the dark.

Mr. Haultain has told the electors of London and North Oxford that as the official representative of the western people he thinks that he should have known at least as early as the Papal Delegate what the federal government proposed to do in this matter. This proposition seems to be quite reasonable.

The Woodstock, Ontario, correspondent of the Toronto News, independent, pays this tribute to the young New Brunswick who has been fighting in Ontario the battle of provincial rights:

"For Frank Oliver came into North Oxford a giant in the estimation of the people and he goes the other way. The electors have seen him on common, not to say, strongly friendly ground, not only beaten, but dribbled, by a young man, Mr. Bennett, who was not even a name to the electors of North Oxford three weeks ago. Mr. W. S. Calvert, M. P., the chief liberal whip, who sat by while all this was going on, showed by his countenance that he suffered more than his principal, naturally because not being engaged in delivering or receiving blows he had more time to think."

If the war should continue it would still not be necessary for Japan to sacrifice many lives to take Vladivostok and sweep the Russians from the coast. Vladivostok can now be easily isolated and the garrison may then be left to surrender at discretion.

Only a decisive victory over Oyama would keep the Russians from the Pacific. That event is hardly more likely than the dispatch of another Russian fleet to the far east.

There are a great number of policy holders in the Equitable company who have not greatly enjoyed the disclosures and discussions of the last few weeks. They are the company's concerned in the whole matter, for the money involved in the disputes is their money. The announcement that a settlement is about to be reached and that the affairs of the company are passing into the hands of safe people will be welcome news to the insured.

This is the time for rumors. United Canada, a journal published in Ottawa, says: "Hon. A. G. Blair has this (last) week intimated to a close New Brunswick friend that he has decided to again enter politics. United Canada is authoritatively informed that he will seek a New Brunswick constituency."

But there are no vacancies at present in New Brunswick constituencies.

The press is receiving justice at last. President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton University says that the English written by college men is usually bad, while that used by the newspaper is surprisingly clear, forcible and correct. He hardly understands how reporters, preparing copy with great speed, are able to write so well.

So far as it has gone, the Pacific cable has not been a good financial investment for the owners. But it has partly freed the empire from an unsatisfactory monopoly.

AGED MINISTER CONGRATULATED. (Special to the Sun.) MONCTON, N. B., June 12.—Yesterday was the eightieth anniversary of the birth of Rev. Stephen T. Teed, supernumerary Methodist minister, and today many clergymen and other citizens called to extend congratulations. A number of congratulatory letters were also received, including one from the president of the N. B. and P. E. Island conference.

A game between Y. M. C. C. and Thistles in the local league was played off this evening and resulted in a shut-out for the Thistles, four to nothing. McCarty, Y. M. C. C.'s backstop, played a star game, his throwing to bases being greatly admired.

The L. C. R. delegation that went to Ottawa to lay before the premier, minister of railways and other members of the government the pension scheme for L. C. R. employees, have been appointed by the organized and unorganized labor permanent committee to look after the matter.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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TWO BEAUTIFUL WOMEN WHO ESCAPED SPRING CATARRH BY TAKING PE-RU-NA.

Spring Fever is Spring Catarrh—Nothing Robs One of Strength Like Spring Catarrh.

Pe-ru-na is the Finest Tonic For a Weary Woman.

Miss B. Inez Silveira, 189 W. 126th street, New York City, Grand Recorder Daughters of American Independence, writes:

"Nine years of work, without a vacation, wore out my nervous system. I lost my appetite and felt weak and exhausted nearly all the time.

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MISS ESTELLE CAMPBELL.

Miss Estelle Campbell, 140 N. High street, Nashville, Tenn., writes:

"Pe-ru-na helped me when almost everything else failed. I was run down from overwork, as I had not been able to take a vacation for three years and naturally my nerves were all unstrung and I was greatly in need of rest and a tonic.

"I went away for two months, but did not seem to get my strength back, although I was taking a prescription which the doctor gave me before I went away.

"At the request of my relatives, with whom I was visiting, I began to use Pe-ru-na, and you cannot realize how glad I was when within a week I found I was feeling splendidly, ready and able to take up my work again."—Estelle Campbell.

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Mr. Frank Williams, 835 84th street, New York City, member First Presbytery of New York City and Captain Captoly Golf Club, writes:

"Last spring I suffered with malaria and a run down condition which seemed very difficult to overcome.

"I tried several different tonics but did not seem to get much better until I began using Pe-ru-na. My recovery was slow, but I was improving and I was glad to continue using it.

"At the end of two months my health was restored and I looked and felt much better than I had for years. Your remedy is well worthy of a recommendation and I am pleased to give it mine."—Frank Williams.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL LONGLEY APPOINTED TO THE BENCH.

OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA—A Distinguished Political Career.

OTTAWA, June 12.—Attorney General Longley has been appointed to the Nova Scotia supreme court bench.

Hon. James Wilberforce Longley, K. C., is the son of Israel Longley, and is descended from a United Empire Loyalist, who came to Nova Scotia towards the end of the revolutionary war. He was born at Paradise, N. S., Acadia, taking the B. A. degree in 1871, and M. A. in 1875. He was called to the bar in 1875 and was appointed a commissioner for revising and consolidating the provincial statutes in 1882. He was created a Q. C. in 1890. While a law student in Halifax he was a frequent contributor to the press on current political questions.

He was a member of the staff of the Chronicle and was for some time managing editor of that paper.

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HOPEWELL HILL, June 12.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newcomb, a highly respected couple of this place, can furnish a family record equalled by few families in the province. On June 2nd Mr. and Mrs. Newcomb completed fifty-three years of married life, having been united in wedlock on that date in 1852. They are the parents of eleven children, all of whom are grown to manhood and womanhood, and all married and with families. The children are Mrs. Thos. Jamieson of Curryville, A. C.; Herbert S. Newcomb of New York, who was the master builder of Peary's Arctic ship; Geo. W. Newcomb, merchant, of this place; Mrs. Chippman Smith of Curryville; Mrs. W. C. Hoar of Moncton; J. Wesley Newcomb, Hopewell Hill; I. Libbert Newcomb of Memel; Mrs. Alfred Woodworth and Mrs. Capt. Albert Stiles of this place; Robert A. Newcomb of Malden, Mass., and Joseph D. Newcomb living here. Although having passed several years the three score and ten mark, neither Mr. or Mrs. Newcomb shows many of the infirmities of age, both being engaged as usual in the daily activities of life. Mr. Newcomb recently passed his 78th birthday. His wife being four years his junior. Both are members of the Hopewell Methodist church and are seldom absent from their places at the regular services. Mr. Newcomb is a boat builder and spar maker by trade and an artisan of exceptional skill. He is one of the few living charter members of the Golden Rule Division, S. of T., one of the oldest temperance societies in the province. Many friends here hope Mr. and Mrs. Newcomb may yet be spared many years of usefulness.

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COMMERCIAL TREATY WITH UNITED STATES.

German Government's Draft of Its Views Based on Report of Chamber of Commerce.

BERLIN, June 10.—The German government's draft of its views on the proposed commercial treaty with the United States is in course of preparation for submission to Washington in July. It is based upon the reports of the German chambers of commerce and other commercial authorities. The Duesseldorfer chamber, one of the most influential Rhenish Westphalian manufacturing districts, sent Prince von Buelow, a member member in which these fundamental principles were laid down:

First—The old Prussian treaty of 1823 must either be formally recalled or extended to the German empire with binding force for the United States.

Second—If that treaty be cancelled it must be replaced by a treaty of equality and navigation between the two countries. Among other things such a treaty must regulate general navigation and commerce between them, define the rights of the citizens of one country while stopping in the other and prepares the way for an extension of copyright arrangements and the promotion of postal intercourse.

Third—A tariff treaty with the United States must be sought in which one country shall be balanced by another fully or approximately equaling it.

Section four calls attention to section four of the Dingley law permitting reciprocity concessions for only two years, and expresses doubt as to whether the United States government could get from congress the right to conclude a treaty for a longer period than five years, and then demands that in case the treaty leads to no practical results that the general German customs be applied to imports from the United States.

Section five suggests that some alleviations to the export business of each country could be secured by the United States continuing the lower rates of duties on German goods in the net provided for by the Sagastoo agreement, to which Germany would answer with equivalent compensations but not with treaty rates throughout as conceded to other countries.

Section six reads: "Whatever arrangement is made must contain provision for supplying free of cost information about tariff matters, for the publication of official lists of goods with regular supplements and for the settlement of tariff differences by arbitration. The treaty must also provide for contesting tariff decisions through diplomatic channels and for the free circulation of samples of goods, and each country must provide to accept the findings of scientific bodies of the other state as to the composition of food products."

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