

"VIVE LA PATRIE"

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—A cable to the New York Times from London says:

A despatch to the Daily Chronicle from Salonika follows:

A story of an extraordinary exploit by a member of the crew of a captured French submarine, reaches me through what I believe to be a trustworthy channel, from Constantinople.

"Some little time ago the French submarine Turquoise, as already stated in the European press, got into difficulties in the Sea of Marmora and was unable to avoid capture, her crew being taken prisoners. The submarine was placed on exhibition at Constantinople and visited by a number of members of the Turkish General Staff, accompanied by some Turkish engineers.

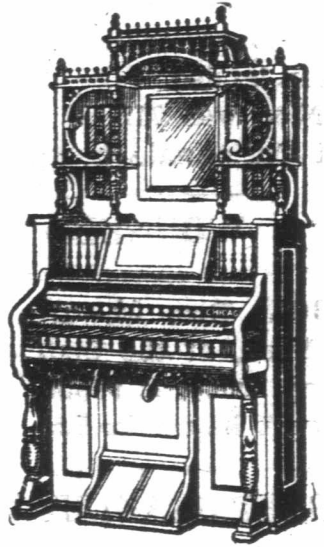
"The latter were asked to explain the working of the vessel to the officers, but their experience was insufficient and they were unable to do so. Then the officers, being greatly interested, sent a messenger to bring one of the French engineers, to whom the desire of the Turkish officers was explained.

"The Frenchman saw he might have an opportunity of destroying the submarine and left a note for his comrade prisoners saying what he would do if he had a chance 'vive la Patrie' at the end of the note.

"While on board the submarine the Frenchman managed to set the machinery going, before it was noticed what he was doing. There must have in all probability been a struggle in the submarine, as it sped away, but at all events it was seen at some distance from the spot where it had been on exhibition and then it was observed to sink.

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Another "Pill" for Hon. "Patchy"

"Anglesea" Takes The Herald to Task For Shouting the Praises of Northcliffe Who Has Been Warned by British Government to Cease His Nefarious Campaign

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—I was surprised and not a little disgusted in seeing P. T. McGrath, the "Hon." Editor of the Herald at the old unpatriotic game of defending and glorifying the Northcliffe Press in Thursday's issue of the Herald. No doubt, the public as well as myself, felt that after the castigation I had given him a few weeks ago on this very subject and which seemed to have been effectual for a time, would put an end to his campaign in favor of the nefarious Northcliffes.

Now heretofore, I drew the attention of the Colonial Secretary to these dangerous utterances of the Herald, and felt when it had quit serving up trash, as to the good these sceditious mongers were doing the Empire and Cause that the Honorable (?) Editor had seen the error of his ways, and that fear of the consequences of continuing in this course, if nothing else, had called him off. Hence, the disgust with which I read last evening his "nice nothings" as to the value of the Northcliffes in this greatest crisis which England and the Empire ever faced.

Now McGrath is playing a dangerous game, both for himself and his associates. As, I think I pointed out before, the Huns are closing watching the Colonies and the utterances of the overseas press on the war are closely scrutinized by them. Here then is a paper said to be the official organ of the Premier of Britain's oldest Colony glorifying and defending the utterances of a newspaper clique which has done incalculable damage to the best interests of the Empire since the struggle began, and which at any day may be ruthlessly suppressed by the home authorities and the Hun-bribed individuals who own the papers arrested for treason or sedition. And the great P. T. "personally" thinks that it is fortunate for Britain that it has such men as the Northcliffes.

Well, if P. T. thinks this it should be immediately telegraphed to the British authorities and that will settle the matter. What the Hon. "Patchy" McGrath thinks of the Northcliffes will restore them to power. But let us see what Sir John Simon, the Home Secretary, thinks of them. Here are some of his thoughts expressed before the Home Parliament only a few days ago:

"I do not know Lord Northcliffe," said the Home Secretary, "but he appears to be a gentleman with the curious habit of always itching to destroy the things he has made. Like the prophets of Baal he leaps on the altars he has made. We in this country know how to estimate the value of these jaundiced prints, but they are a disappointment to our Allies and a source of disgust to neutrals."

Sir John clearly demonstrates that the lies (I use the word deliberately) of the Northcliffes have influenced for evil the Balkan nations in their attitude towards the Entente Powers, have disgusted our Allies and depressed our brave soldiers while greatly encouraging the enemy, in fact as he said, proving "Germany's greatest asset."

Not a few more disloyal ebullitions on the part of the Northcliffes and an outraged British public will soon do for them, what the Government may yet hesitate to do. But the question asked here is, what is there in it for P. T.? It looks very much as if he were receiving a liberal retainer, for, unless this, he cares as much for the Northcliffes as he did for the Reids when, while, taking the Kudos and good things from them with one he knifed them with the other hand in the Chicago "Record." Or perhaps his motives are as pure as they were in the recent sectarian "break" made to save his brewery shares, as you well say, by attempting to defeat prohibition.

Another feature of P. T.'s glorification of the Northcliffes is his inconsistency.

He has now taken a new pose. He likes to be regarded as a leader in Catholic thought and lately has had a good deal to say and rightly so of the bravery of our Irish Catholic soldiers. P. T. is, I hear, an Irishman's son and a Catholic.

As a contemporary of yours, Sir, has said no more, intense haters of Irish Catholics can be found than these same Northcliffes. When the big exodus, the result of persecution and famine threatened to depopulate

Ireland in the early and middle years of 18th century who gloated over the passing of the Irish? The Northcliffes said—"The Celt is gone, gone with a vengeance and will soon be as extinct on the Shannon as the Red Indian on the Hudson." And the insults to the Cardinal Archbishop of Tuam and the Irish Catholic Hierarchy in those sad days were redolent of the Northcliffes. And these are the men that the great Irish Catholic leader (?) in Britain's oldest Colony gives so much prominence to.

Now I call on the Premier as well as the Colonial Secretary for decency sake, if for no other reason, to stifle these dirty, unpatriotic and uncalled for praises of the Empire's enemies. If these officials of Government do not suppress McGrath's espousals of treason and disloyalty, unless I am greatly mistaken,—judging from recent utterances of determined loyal citizens he will be suppressed in a far more effective manner than official friends would wish to see him, and if he or the same friends do not take care the patience of the people may be strained too far.

The present are days of stress, sorrow and struggle for Britain and her Colonies, and the times are dangerous for those who would try to propagate treason for the sake of personal or political gain.

Now, I think it is about time that McGrath had been put in his proper place in this serious matter. No political or personal favor should shield him. With thanks for space,

Yours patriotically,
ANGLESEA.
St. John's, Dec. 18, 1915.

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Prominent Canadian Officer Arrested on Charge of Murder

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Lieutenant Coderre, of Sherbrooke, of the Forty First Battalion, a Province of Quebec unit, who is held for the murder of Sergeant Henry Ozanne of the Ninth Mounted Rifles, a Western Canada unit, was not brought before the coroner at Grayshott today, consequently the inquest did not proceed further than the formal identification of the victim. It was explained that the mystery required considerable investigation, and that the police were at work trying to get evidence to throw light on the mystery. Another reason why the county coroner did not proceed with his investigation was that the officer under arrest had expressed a wish to be present.

Major Robert Louis Calder, of the Forty-First Battalion, and a member of the Montreal Bar, appeared on behalf of Lieutenant Coderre, at the request of the Agent General of the Province of Quebec, Mr. Pelletier, who had cabled instructions from Sherbrooke to secure legal aid for the officer accused. Mr. Pelletier said he had known Lieutenant Coderre at Sherbrooke since his boyhood.

The only witness called by the coroner today, was Lieut.-Colonel Hudson commanding officer of the Ninth Mounted Rifles, who identified the dead non-com. as reliable and well behaved and steady. The father and brother-in-law of Sergeant Ozanne, who reside at Hampshire, were present at the inquest. Ozanne was a native of Guernsey, and a miller by trade, some years ago he emigrated from England to Canada, and joined his brother at farming at Tugaska, Saskatchewan. In the afternoon Lieutenant Coderre was brought before the magistrate at Whitehall, which is several miles from Grayshott, the scene of the tragedy, and was remanded for eight days. Coderre appeared cool and somewhat unconcerned.

Lieut.-Colonel Hudson told your correspondent that it was difficult to understand how a popular fellow like Sergeant Ozanne could have enemies. He also said that there had been no rivalry or ill feeling between the Forty-First and the Ninth.

The Ninth Mounted Rifles had made arrangements to give the dead sergeant a military funeral today, but his relatives changed the plan, and took the body to Guildford for burial tomorrow.

Lieutenant Coderre was married just before his regiment left Canada for England, and his bride is due to arrive in England in a day or two.

At the inquest today Lieut.-Colonel Ingraham, of Sydney, N.S., was present on behalf of the Canadian military authorities. Major Hughes and other officers of the Forty-First Battalion also attended.

All Candidates Favor Neutrality

LONDON, Dec. 18.—A despatch to the Times from Athens says that only 450 candidates are presenting themselves for the 516 seats in Parliament, which will be voted in a general election on Sunday. This is due to the complete abstention of the followers of former Premier Venizelos who elected 354 deputies in the last election.

Nearly all of the present candidates have declared themselves in favor of a policy of neutrality, with the exception of about forty followers of M. Dimitracopetous, who was Minister of Justice under M. Venizelos.

All the candidates are ministerialist.

CHINA AND ENTENTE POWERS.

The recent report to the effect that the entente powers were making efforts at Peking to bring about the entrance of China into the entente alliances was, from the first, sufficiently vague to cause a considerable amount of skepticism as to its credibility. It now appears that the report is not well founded. It has, however, that the entente powers are undoubtedly doing their utmost in Peking to secure that China shall not become entangled in any other alliances and that nothing shall be left undone to prevent any condition arising in China which might give occasion to any outside power to intervene, either on the ever-serviceable excuse of restoring order, or on the time-honored plea that the existence of disorder is a menace to international interest.

It was for this reason that Japan recently, with the approval of the entente powers, addressed a friendly intimation to Peking that, whatever China might decide to do in the future, the present at any rate, was eminently not the time to think of a change in the existing form of government.—Christian Science Monitor, Boston, Mass.

Death Alone to Man is Not the Greatest Evil

Sir Oliver Lodge Who Has Faith in Life After Death Has Issued a "Message to the Bereaved"

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Sir Oliver Lodge, whose faith in life after death carries him to the point of believing that communications have been actually established between the dead, has issued a "message to the bereaved" which is published in the current Christian Commonwealth.

Sir Oliver's message reads: "The amount of mourning and suffering throughout Europe at the present time is something terrible to contemplate. The loss of those who have gone over is not being minimized while young is a serious calamity—a man-made tragedy with dire consequences—and immolation is natural and inevitable. But it must be remembered that, from the point of view of the individuals who have gone over, there are many mitigating circumstances. They have done their duty; they have sacrificed a useful career here; they have given up all they possessed; and it will be required to them. By such a death a

burden of sin is lightened; some atonement is made; good friends are waiting for them; their help can be utilized and is much wanted for their fellows who are coming over; and they themselves will continue in the joy of service.

"They would like their friends here to recognize that, and not to mourn them unduly; above all, not to consider them as gone out of existence, as extinguished and no longer real. Sorrow at their departure is inevitable, but grief which is excessive causes them pain."

"They did their work here, they will do it there; and in good time the union may confidently be looked forward to. Death alone is not to man the greatest evil, and in some sort they are happy in the opportunity of their death. This ought to be recognized by those who survive, and we should not grieve unduly for those who have only gone on before us."

The Kyle reached Port aux Basques 7.50 a.m. yesterday with the following passengers: R. Rose, J. H. Green, Mrs. F. Dolson, Mrs. C. B. Blackie, Miss E. Chapman, Mrs. W. McDonald, R. and Mrs. Halley, W. Hardy, J. Corbett, Mrs. C. Cotter, Mrs. D. Clements, Miss L. Reid, G. Fudge, F. H. J. Ruel, J. R. Ruel, Misses J. up all they possessed; and it will be and E. Ruel, T. J. White. The ex-press is due at 3 p.m.

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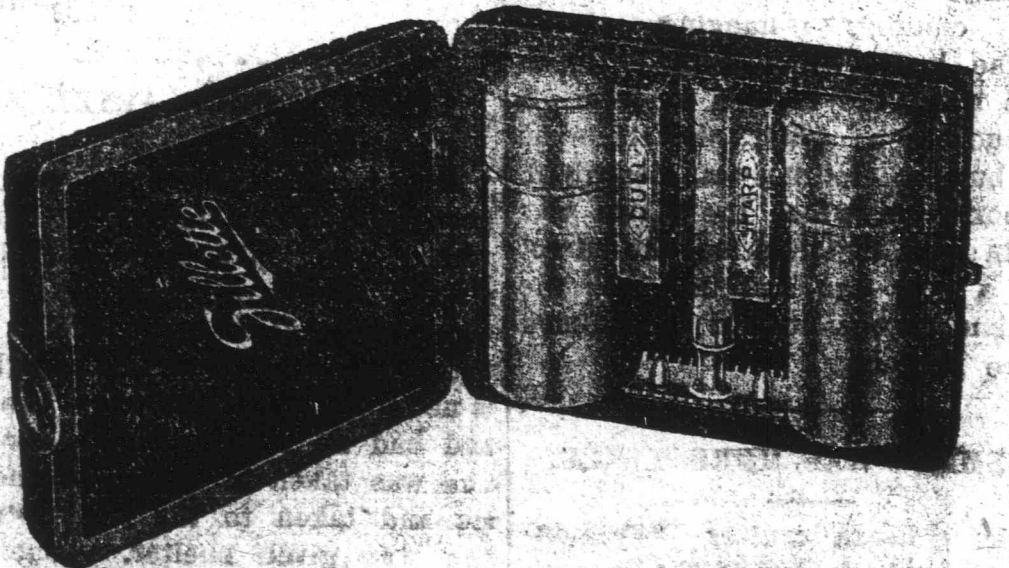
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