

## ITALY REPORTED UNEASY OVER WAR IN SUEZ REGION

Geneva Journal remarks that the Italian press sees greater difficulty to its own country than to Great Britain.

(Special to The Christian Science Monitor.)

Geneva, Switzerland, Feb. 25.—In a leading article in the Journal de Geneve it is remarked that the most pessimistic accounts of the situation in Egypt come from the Italian press. The Stampa, the Corriere della Sera and the Secolo print statements sent from their correspondents in Cairo prophesying serious happenings in the near future.

The Journal de Geneve is not a little surprised at this attitude and it remarks that those very papers which take so depressing a view of the situation in Egypt are those most in favor of an Italian intervention in favor of the triple entente. This, it thinks, may explain much, especially in the light thrown on this serious fact by an article in the Stampa from that paper's Cairo correspondent.

Epitomized by the Journal de Geneve it is as follows: "The extensive military preparations made by the English in Egypt, where 150,000 men have been concentrated, 100,000 in the region of the Suez canal, show the forethought of the British authorities in dealing with the situation which is developing. The conflict which will take place on the Suez canal is of so much interest to Italy as to Great Britain; the threatened interruption of the free course of the canal is perhaps even more serious for Italy than it is for England. On the day when the Turkish-Germans arrive on the banks of the canal, even if they do not succeed in breaking the British defense and in taking both banks, navigation will necessarily be interrupted.

When the Turkish army once trained a single battery on the canal, no ship will venture to pass; and the English will refuse them permission to do so, for a single ship sunk in the canal would suffice to prevent the passage of men-of-war. Even should navigation through the canal be interrupted, Great Britain could still maintain, almost unaffected, her communications with India, Australia, New Zealand and Japan; she could still continue to transport colonial troops to Egypt and Europe, for she has three important ports on the Red Sea connected with Cairo and with the great Mediterranean port of Alexandria by an excellent caravan route and by rail. She would be able to disembark troops at Suez, and if Suez were menaced, at Port Sudan and at Suakin, ports with railway communication to Cairo. She will only lose one week by the disembarkation and embarkation in the Red Sea and at Alexandria.

For Italy, on the contrary, the problem has no solution; in order to communicate with her colonies of Massouah and of Somaliland, all that she will be able to do is to follow the route of Vasco da Gama round Africa, unless she obtains from Great Britain the permission to make use of her rapid means of communication between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea. But, naturally, the price of such concessions will be of a nature which will embarrass Italian neutrality.

It is Italy, therefore, rather than Great Britain which is menaced by the Turkish-German expedition, comments the Journal de Geneve. The more Egypt is imperiled, the more it behooves Italy to part with her neutrality. Not only are Trent, Trieste and Dalmatia at stake, but the Italian colonies of the Red Sea as well. The argument is certainly a weighty one.

The Daily Fashion Hint.



Morning frock of elaborately hand embroidered white batiste. The skirt is laid in box pleats; the waist has beehive-shaped seams and fastens with crocheted buttons. Irish lace on collar and cuffs. High grade of black velvet.

## BIGGER CROPS PRODUCTION MEETINGS AT HOPEWELL HILL

Interesting Addresses by Prominent Speakers Urging Men who Stay at Home to Help Empire by Raising More Produce.

Albert, N. B., Feb. 26.—Two interesting patriotic agricultural meetings were held in the Public Hall at Hopewell Hill, yesterday afternoon and evening. The speakers were Prof. W. S. Blair, superintendent of the experimental station, Kentville, N. S., Mr. R. Newell, director of Agricultural schools for New Brunswick, Mr. S. L. Peters, government inspector of fruit, and Rev. S. W. Schurman, Hillsborough, N. B. The weather was bad, but a good sized audience heard the speakers in the evening and listened with close attention.

Prof. Blair was the first speaker in the afternoon meeting, he referred to the war, and said that the objects of this class of meetings was to interest the agricultural population of these provinces and stimulate the farmers to raise more crops, in order to assist in feeding our nation and our allies over the hard time which was bound to come on account of shortage of food occasioned by the absence of so many men at the front, from the farms in the zone of Europe, and the consequent destruction and interruption of the agricultural districts and business of the farmers therein. Even at the present moment there was a shortage of oats, which was causing the prices to go up to a mark scarcely ever reached before in this country. That at least two years to come would feel the pinch—and whether the war was continued or not there would be a shortage of extra production of food-stuffs in the parts of the British Empire unhampered by the stress of warfare. There are two ways in which in this part of the Empire can assist to meet the demand—either by cultivating more land or by better cultivation of the lands now under cultivation.

In the latter case the better attention to the tillage of the soil, and the application of fertilizers is necessary. A very large percentage of the potash necessary in the manufacture of chemical fertilizers in the past came from Germany; this source of supply is now closed to us, and we must look about for other ways to supply the deficiency. Barn-stable manure could be so used and its value conserved as to materially assist in making up the deficiency which would be felt in the lessened output of potash.

Basic slag is a good fertilizer for sour marsh lands, applied properly, and ground lime stone is good for the same purpose at the rate of two tons to the acre. For turnips nothing is better than slag.

Mr. Newell said he wished to follow along the same line as Professor Blair, and urge the greater production of food cereals and roots while the cultivation of a larger acreage would bring about a larger supply—yet the better tillage of the same area is a better proposition—as a machine was more profitable when run to its full capacity so with the farm soil—and the cow. It took only the same time to plough a field that raised 40 bushels of grain as that which produced 20 bushels per acre. Full ploughing was the proper thing, every furrow should be done in the fall as far as possible so that the moment land is fit for the spring the work of getting in the seed can begin. The early harrowing of soil creating a fine dust bath on the surface will conserve the moisture, which otherwise is lost.

The disc harrow is an implement of great value, there is nothing like it in the matter of cultivating root crops in the best time to kill weeds in the fall—more nature is easily be made to the weeds before seeding the turnip land.

In answer to questions Mr. Newell said that the oat seed in two inches deep average soil—follow the seed with the roller and the roller with the spike-tooth harrow—this applies also to wheat and barley. Sow clover seed with your oats even if you are going to plow it again in the fall, as the growth of clover when ploughed in will be a valuable fertilizer. Clover is a very wonderful and valuable plant, is a soil enricher, leaving the soil richer than it found it.

Mr. S. L. Peters was the last speaker of the afternoon meeting which was composed entirely of men. Mr. Peters emphasized the importance of taking proper care of the manure from the farm stables and the proper application of the same to the soil.

That in his opinion too much reliance was placed in chemical fertilizers, when in many instances well preserved stable manure was preferable—a distant field, or one not easy of access could be more cheaply treated with chemical fertilizers.

Mr. S. L. Peters, president of the Hopewell Agricultural Society, occupied the chair.

To Help Empire.

At eight o'clock the evening session

## Was Troubled for Years With Kidney Disease

And This Treatment Cured Me—This Statement Endorsed By a Baptist Minister.

The great majority of people are familiar with the extraordinary curative powers of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. But for the benefit of those who are not we continue to publish from day to day reports from persons who have been actually cured.

The case described in this letter was an extreme one, and the writer was in a very low condition when he began the use of these pills. The cure was so marked. MR. MOSHER writes that Mr. Mosher's pains did not hesitate to vouch for his statement.

By their unique combined action on the liver, kidneys and bowels, Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills cure in

was opened by the president, R. C. Smith. The ladies of the place were well represented at the audience, and the lodge room was comfortably filled despite the unfavorable weather conditions.

Mr. S. L. Peters was the first speaker. He said in part: We are here to endeavor by this meeting to enlist the sympathy of the farmers and their families with a view to have them increase the production of food supplies on their farms during the next few years, to tide over the lean time which is bound to come during and at the conclusion of the present war. The German Emperor had thought that the opportunity of the great Empire had to dominate the world. This fearful war is on in consequence—war on the land, war on the sea, war under the sea, and war in the air, the most wonderful war of history.

England to keep her treasure good was in this war—the Irish question was for the time forgotten. The strife of parties was laid aside and from every colony required in this line. Mr. Peters made a speech which was well received and received applause at the conclusion of his timely remarks.

Prof. Blair and Mr. Newell spoke briefly along the lines of their afternoon addresses, their addresses being highly appreciated by the audience.

Rev. S. W. Schurman was the last speaker and in a half hour held the audience from the lines of their afternoon addresses, their addresses being highly appreciated by the audience.

The third question he answered as follows: "Made in Germany." The fourth question answered as follows: When the war first started I said it would end in three months. Kitchener has recently said three years, and recently the silent war-lord has said he does not know when it will be ended but he says it will begin in May. The time of the end of the war may not be known, but the result will only bring the end of the war will be the complete overthrow of the despot who has taken to himself the position of ruler of the universe, and the King, in the audience was a mother, a father, and a brother of our own.

The speaker said he had heard of only one man in this part of the country who had undertaken to speak against the step England had taken in entering the conflict in keeping with her treaty obligations, and he was glad to hear that the proprietor of the store in which this doctrine had been uttered had been received had promptly ejected the man from the place.

A donation party and social was held in the Methodist parsonage Friday evening. A large number of friends and friends of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Stebbings, irrespective of church affiliations, attended to tender their best wishes to the worthy couple, who hold a very large place in the affection of the people of this community. Misses Lil-

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