"IN FREEDOM'S CAUSE."

Evening Telegram

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FRIDAY, Feb. 14th, 1919.

Germany Seeks Recognition.

Even in defeat the Germans are as haughty and arrogant as they were in August 1914, when because of Belgium's refusal to give them passage through that country, in order to attack France, they violated all precedents of honour, tore up all treaties and made Belgian resistance the pretext to turn the land into an "abomination of desolation." At the signing of the armistice on November 11th, 1918, there was a further exhibition of German self-regard, which was however promptly nipped in the bud by Generalissimo Foch, and the envoys of Kultur were forced to accept and agree to the conditions imposed, distasteful and bitter as they were. But evasion is a notable German characteristic, and though three months have elapsed, the conditions of the armistice have not yet been completed by the dishonorable Hun, and with commendable but misplaced leniency the Allies have several times prolonged the term of the agreement, rather than insist on the performance of its provisions, German honor has not been in haste to comply, and procrastination has followed procrastination until the patience of the Allies has been brought to the point of exhaustion and they, through the War Council have at length, prepared fresh terms which must be accepted ere any further renewal will be given. In the face of this which for want of a better phrase we have to term "passive defiance," the representatives of Germany who patently have no code of decency beyond their own peculiar ethics, are not at all ashamed of their attitude, and if we can credit the various reports from abroad they rather glory in their conduct, the latest phase of German insolence being in the demand that the Allies recognize the new Berlin Government. Note the distinction. Not German Government but Berlin. It may be tantamount to the same thing, but coming from the notorious Mathias Erzberger, there is enough significance in the difference to be a warning that should induce caution in opening any negotiations with the so-called Berlin Government. The purpose of the League of Nations, now in process of formation is to admit "every civilized nation which can be relied upon to promote the League's objects," a limitation which bars and bolts the entrance doors against the present day Germany, because that country, yet, cannot be considered a civilized nation in the true sense of the term: neither can she be relied on to promote the objects for which the Society of Nations is being formed. The new democracy of Germany as represented by the Berlin Government, is not to be accepted as entirely free, at once, from the crimes and the suspicions of crimes attaching to the Germany of only a few months ago. In no sense has Germany carried out the provisions dictated by the victorious Allies and incorporated in the armistice, but ever has she been guilty of delay and of side-stepping. Her pleas for repeated extensions of time have been acceded to, but no haste or desire has been so far shown to fulfil her part of the agreement. Once she shows a sincerity of purpose and genuinely begins to perform this, considerations for her admission to the Association of civilized powers will take place, but the length of time between now and then will depend on Germany herself, in the progress toward real democracy made by her people upon democratic principles of justice and liberty, and upon the production of evidence proving that they have received a change of heart, "based not merely upon defeat and international helplessness, but upon recognition of the nature of the offences against humanity and civilization."

Erzberger's demand for recognition must therefore wait until Germany has repented and done penance for her many crimes against humanity.

Insurance Meeting.

The Dominion Atlantic Insurance Co., Ltd., held their shareholders meeting on Monday night at 8 o'clock in the Board of Trade rooms.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Hon. A. E. Hickman, Hon. T. Cook, J. J. MacKay, C. C. Pratt, H. Macpherson, and W. R. Goobie.

The financial standing of the company was talked of and the authorized capital of the company showed $500,000, 20 per cent of which is called up. After the meeting of the shareholders, a meeting of directors took place, and the future policy of the company discussed.

CONGREGATIONAL SOCIABLE. — The sociable to be held by the Congregational ladies to-night promises to be a success. The programme has been most carefully arranged and everything prepared to make the event a most enjoyable affair.

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A Vice-Regal Visit.

THE GOVERNOR AT THE PENITENTIARY.

At three o'clock yesterday afternoon His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Harris and suite visited the Penitentiary and at once entered the Main Ward, where he was received by the Superintendent and the official staff. Here the prisoners were paraded and given an opportunity (which several availed of) to personally plead with His Excellency for remission of sentence. After a general inspection of the Male and Female Wards, Kitchen and Storeroom, he passed on to the Industrial Department, where he spent half an hour or more inquiring into the details of the broom-making business, in which he seemed very much interested. Before leaving, Sir Alexander made the following record of what he thought of the institution and its present management:—

"February 13th, 1919.

"In pursuance of what I conceive "to be an annual duty, I have made a "thorough inspection of the Peniten-"tiary in company with the Sperin-"tendent and (as regards the Women's "Ward) the Matron. There are fewer "prisoners than last year—26 total. "I am glad to repeat the favorable "impressions of last year. Every "pains are taken to keep the place "creditable, and the Superintendent "gives a good account of the general "character of the prisoners. But "there are no cases in which, at "present, clemency could be exer-"cised, though some eight or ten "prisoners spoke to me, after the "parade, in the Wards.

"C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
"Governor."

Last Night's Opera.

The Japanese opera, Princess Ju-Ju (under the distinguished patronage of His Grace, the Archbishop) which was presented for the second time last evening met with a still more enthusiastic reception than at its initial performance. Taken as a whole the spectator was struck with the magnificence of the costumes, the general grace of the performers, and the excellent enunciation of the principal characters.

Miss Angela McGrath as Princess Ju Ju, together with Miss Josephine McNamara as La La and attendant maidens charmed both eye and ear, whilst Miss Mabel McGrath as the High and Mighty Hokipokitippitoptop both looked and acted the part of a "peppery potentate" to perfection. Miss Mary Emerson sustained a most difficult role in a manner worthy of a far older performer and together with Miss Agnes Armstrong as Fu Shu, one of the minstrel princes, supplied the comedy by her very evident terror of the mighty potentate. Miss Madeline Kavanagh's charming voice was heard to great advantage in the character of the prince seeking the hand of the princess. Miss Alicia Fitzpatrick as the great magician, Abud Hiram was both effective and realistic, whilst Miss Annie Lawlor as Lord High Executioner left nothing to be desired.

Judging from the applause which greeted the dancing fireflies the audience appreciated their beauty and rhythen, and undoubtedly Miss Mollie Kelly, Goddess of Night, the premiers danseuse, together with her attendant spirits delighted the onlookeers and did credit to their talented teacher Mrs. Cleary. The fact that the orchestra was under the leadership of Mr. F. W. Bradshaw and the direction of Mr. Hutton was in itself sufficient guarantee of its excellence.

On the whole the performers did credit to the Sisters of the Convent of Mercy Academy, Military Road, whose efforts in the cause of education are proverbial, and to their many friends whose wholehearted interest and artistic taste rendered it possible to produce such a spectacular opera.

The performance will be repeated by special request on Saturday afternoon and no doubt will be greeted with the reception it deserves.

M.M.

Historical Society.

The annual meeting of the Nfld. Historical Society was held in the Court House last night, Rev. Canon Bolt presiding. The committee on the constitution reported several amendments thereto which after some discussion were adopted. The election of officers for the coming year resulted as follows:—

Hon. Pres.—Rev. Canon Smith.
President. —H. W. McMessurier, C.M.G.
Vice-Pres.—Dr. Robinson.
Cor. Sec.—H. F. Shortis.
Rec. Sec.—Warwick Smith.
Treas.—I. C. Morris.

These with Rev. Canon Bolt, Dr. V. P. Burke and J. W. Withers will form the council. Rev. Doctor Greene, P. H. Knowling, M. J. James, J. H. Dee, Geo. F. Grimes, F. Emerson, E. Goodland, J. J. McKay and W. White (Trinity) were elected to membership. Three oaher names were put in nomination and will be balloted for later, viz: Rev. A. J. Maher. P.P., Ferryland, Mr. G. J. Adams, Register, and Dr A. C. Tait. It was decided that the council arrange for the reading of a paper at the next monthly meeting, after which the session closed.

Annual Entertainment.

The pupils of the Presbyterian College are holding their annual Entertainment in the Presbyterian Hall this evening, at 7.30. A very nice programme, consisting of songs, recitations and sketches has been prepared, after the conclusion of which, the school prizes and diplomas won in the C.H.E. examinations will be presented.

Valuable Cargo.

The S.S. Escasoni, which sailed yesterday for Gibraltar, took a cargo of 56,719,¾ quintals of codfish, contained in 13,469 packages. The value of the cargo from port of shipment is considerably over $1,000,000. The freight paid by the shippers is in the vicinity of $450,000.00, the rates being $40.00 per five quintal cask.

The Prince of Wales Rink will NOT be open this afternoon or night.—feb14,1i

M. C. L. I.

"That a League of Nations as proposed by President Wilson is feasible," was the resolution debated at last evening's meeting of the M. C. L. I. Mr. J. S. Currie led the affirmative side, and Mr. S. P. Whiteway the negative, each side adducing strong reasons for and against the scheme. Mr. Currie contented himself with presenting President Wilson's idea of a League of Nations, as delivered by him in a speech. The subject was so wide in its scope that it was impossible for him to deal with it thoroughly in the 15 minutes at his disposal. The idea is no longer in its theoretical stage, as the Peace Conference, composed of the leaders of the great nations, is now engaged in considering its feasibility. For many, many years, men have thought of the idea of a League of Nations, where freedom of the seas, equality of nations, and the safety of peace would be guaranteed. For the last three or four years the world has witnessed a League of Nations—the great unity of nations prosecuting the war with common service and common sacrifice, and the feasibility of the idea could no longer be doubted.

Other speakers for the affirmative side spoke of the balance of power of the world, and its past failures to prevent wars and strife, which was, after all, the underlying principle of a League of Nations. If the idea were not feasible the great American continent would not be so enthusiastically supporting it, nor would the British Empire and other great nations of the world. In spite of old failures new ideas should be tried. While conglomerations of nations failed to keep the peace of the world, it was because there was no armed force behind it with which to enforce the decisions of the combine. In spite of the pessimism of croakers all the world over, the idea was a good one. The history of all great inventions was one of discouraging antagonism; when the trains, wireless, submarine, airships and others were in the experimental stage there were many to ridicule their practicability and feasibility, but despite this the inventions went ahead, and despite the pessimism of thousands, the idea of a League of Nations will go steadily ahead, until eventually realized in one great combination of nations, "the federation of the world."

The negative side, led by Mr. S. P. Whiteway, gave many examples of old attempts at the same plan, all of which failed to accomplish what they had guaranteed to do. Smaller nations were promised the protection of the great powers, but in the end were set upon and destroyed by the very powers that were to support and protect them, as witness the example of Belgium's conduct to the Congo Free State, and Armenia's ravishing by the Turks. The plan was not feasible because of the absence of community of race, language, morals, interest and religion, and until the heart of the world had been changed it was impossible and could never be worked with success. It is impossible to establish righteousness on paper agreements, and righteousness is one of the vital necessities of a League of this kind. The world is not ripe for it, and the time not yet come.

Many speakers spoke for and against the resolution, but when put to the vote was passed by a fair majority, and the meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

Attempted Burglary.

A burglary was attempted on the store of Mr. John R. Robertson, Water Street, on Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning, when some, so far, unknown individual forced an entrance to the basement by smashing the windows on the back of the house. The local Jack Sheppard endeavored to reach the office and shop on the second flat, where there was a good possibility of a haul, but like the Prussians at Verdun, he found the passage blocked by lock and bolt, and had to beat a retreat—nothing doing. The tracks are plainly visible in the snow, and it is evident the culprit is not a fox from the mountains, but a cat which had a thorough knowledge of the surroundings, it is probable we shall hear of an arrest. So far as is known nothing of importance was taken from the lower flat.

Grocery Store Robbed.

In the early part of the week, the west end store of Mrs. Matthew Kent was robbed of a sum of money, comprised of silver and small change. The thief entered the shop while Mrs. Kent was in her husband's shop adjoining, and taking the cash box and money, left as quietly as he entered. Unless the money is returned pretty quickly, Mrs. Kent intends to prosecute as she knows the name of the person who took it.

Personal Mention.

Capt. Sears, master of the Toga, and formerly captain of the Restigouche, is in the city.

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Current Comments.

The Inventor.—The story that Villa has embraced Bolshevik doctrine does him injustice. He was the originator of it on this continent.—New York World.

Metz is Metz.—One of the biggest surprises of the war the fact that Metz is pronounced Metz.—Butler (Ohio) Democrat.

Nobody Knows.—Why is it that engaged girls invariably speed up on embroidery and crochet work instead of learning how to cook?—Howard Courant.

Beyond their Power.—One thing to be thankful for is that the egg barons cannot stop the hens from doing their bit, although it is winter.—Montreal Herald.

A Safe Place.—Five lunatics have escaped from an asylum near Chicago and by mingling with the holiday crowds defied detection.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Only Temeprary.—To prevent an epidemic of heart disease we hasten to assure the public that the lower prices of butter and eggs are only temporary.—New York Telegram.

On a Short Visit.—Some special welcome ought to be arranged for President Wilson, who will visit the United States for a short time next month.—Leavenworth Times.

Already Done.—A Berlin journal is worried for fear the lynching of Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg will, before the eyes of the world, justify the name of Hun. The fear may be laid to rest. That name was justified long ago.—Baltimore American.

Quite So.—An eminent medical man of the United States thinks that the nation's greatest need is a "return to old-fashioned sanity." It is a handy thing to have in the family.—Fredericton Gleaner.

The Ubiquitous German.—The cruelties of the southern military prison of Andersonville in the American Civil War are recalled. It may not be remembered that the commandant responsible for them was hanged and that his name was—Wirz.—Toronto News.

A Late Hour.—Sawing wood is now the ex-Kaiser's chief occupation. If the Hohenzollern had sawn more wood in the past and done less talking and jumping about, a sword would not be hanging over his head to-day.—Montreal Gazette.

Should be Supported.—That little Anglo-American force north of Archangel is being gradually pushed back to the coast by the Bolshevist army, massed in superior force. Either the Allied battalions should be reinforced or they should be withdrawn from the country.—Hamilton Herald.

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