



TO-DAY'S Messages.

10.30 A.M.

CLOSING OF MUSEUMS AND PICTURE GALLERIES.

LONDON, To-day. Premier Asquith, yesterday, received an influential deputation, who called upon him to urge the reconsideration by the Government of the closing of museums and picture galleries. Recently there have been many strong protests against the closing of the institutions. Asquith, in reply to the appeal of the deputation, said there was necessity for every possible economy during the war which was being fought under unprecedented conditions. He announced with certain restrictions the National Gallery, National Museum and Victoria Albert Museum, so far as the popular portions of them were concerned and the reading room of the British Museum, would still be available for public use, but that beyond these concessions he could give no hope that the Government would recede from its decision to close them.

NO ENVOY TO WASHINGTON.

LONDON, To-day. An official of the Foreign Office said that as far as he knew there was no truth in the report that a special envoy would be sent to Washington. The report probably is the outgrowth of an editorial suggestion of the Manchester Guardian, that Viscount Bryce or Arthur J. Balfour, First Lord of the Admiralty, be sent on a mission to Washington with full powers to adjust the blockade controversy between the British and American Governments.

STEAMER ASHORE-CREW SUPPOSED LOST.

LONDON, To-day. A despatch to Lloyd's says the British steamer Belford, which sailed on January 27th from Barry for New York in ballast, is ashore off the North Coast of Italy, Scotland. All on board are supposed to have been lost. The Belford had been drifting since January 20th, and her position was reported by a vessel of 2,216 tons. She was built in 1901 and owned by the Spelding and Marshall Shipping Company, Sunderland.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN THE HUN TARGET.

LONDON, To-day. A British official, issued last night on the attack on the Kent Coast by German aeroplanes on Wednesday follows. The first raider appeared to have selected for his target a tramway car full of women and children. The first bomb fell on a road close behind the car and exploded without damage. The driver pulled up immediately and the passengers alighted. There was no panic, although the raider could be plainly seen circling round at a great height. Three more bombs dropped in an adjoining field. A second raider made an attack on a large girls' school. One bomb fell through the roof and exploded in the upper story, doing some material damage. Portions of the ceiling fell into the room below, where a class of small children was being held. One little girl was slightly cut on the foot, and a maid slightly injured. Three other bombs fell in the school grounds where two exploded without damage. The third failed to explode. Two other bombs were dropped, causing slight material damage. A woman received some cuts on the cheek. Within a few minutes of the sighting of the hostile aircraft naval and military aeroplanes went in pursuit, but were unable to overtake them owing to the precipitate nature of their flight.

U.S. WAR SECRETARIES RESIGN.

WASHINGTON, To-day. Garrison, Secretary of War, to-day tendered his resignation to President Wilson. It was accepted. The refusal of the President to insist upon the acceptance of a continental army plan, generally opposed in Congress, and Garrison's disapproval of the Philippine Independence Bill as it passed the Senate, is understood to be the cause.

WHAT CAUSES COLDS?

This question is asked every day. A cold is really a fever, not always caused by the weather but often due to disordered blood or lack of important food-elements. In changing seasons fat-foods are essential because they distribute heat by enriching the blood and so render the system better able to withstand the varying elements. This is the important reason why Scott's Emulsion should always be taken for colds, and it does more—builds strength to prevent sickness. Scott's Emulsion contains Nature's rare strength building fats, so skillfully blended that the blood profits from every drop. It is free from harmful drugs. Sold at drug stores—always gets the genuine.

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have been responsible for his decision to quit the Cabinet. The resignation of Henry C. Brookeridge, Assistant Secretary of War, is also announced.

PLAYING UP TO THE UNITED STATES.

WASHINGTON, To-day. Germany and Austria, through their Embassies, have notified the United States of their intention to treat armed merchantmen as warships after March 1st. That date was fixed to give the Entente Allies time to signify their intention toward the recent note of the United States, proposing the disarmament of all merchantmen.

St. Pierre Bulletin.

Through Courtesy of Manager Saunders of the Anglo-American Cable Company.

PARIS (Official), 3 p.m. 10th.

In Artois an artillery duel was kept up from Hill 119 up to the Neuville-Thelus Road. A grenade attack enabled us to dislodge the Germans from a few of our trenches previously held by them. The Germans, at nightfall, launched against our Neuville-La Folie positions a heavy attack which was repulsed, the enemy only succeeding in gaining a foothold in one of the excavations we had captured recently. South of the Somme during local actions, effected yesterday and the day before, we captured about 60 prisoners, two quick-firers and a revolver cannon.

Official Midnight 10th.—In Artois during the day we continued to progress by means of grenades in Royaux, west of La Folie. Two German attacks directed against our positions west of Hill 140 completely failed. North of Neuville-Thelus Road, the enemy exploded a mine but we occupied the excavation. South of the Somme some German Infantry attempting to débouch, was driven back by our cross fire. In Reauvaignes district our artillery destroyed a blockhouse and shelled German cantonnements. In Champagne, a destructive fire opened by our batteries in the direction of Meunil Hill, scored good results in Mortmare Forest.

Voivre.—A fierce bombardment of our batteries blew up a German ammunition depot to-day. The Germans fired two large calibre shells in the direction of Belfort. Our artillery immediately concentrated their fire on a point where the German battery was located, and we also shelled the military establishment of Bornach, southwest of Mulhausen.

February 11.—Rumanian troops to-day fired upon Bulgarian parties who were trying to cross the frontier.

1.40 P.M.

NEW CAMPAIGN OF SUBMARINE FRIGHTFULNESS.

LONDON, To-day. Although the new German memorandum reached the London morning papers too late for extended editorial comment, the manner in which it is featured in all the newspapers indicates the sensation it is likely to cause in England and the Allied countries. The Mail declares that it undoubtedly is Germany's long threatened reprisal for the Baralong incident and it gives it a seven column headline, reading "New U-boat murder campaign to start March 1st." The Mail comments that Germany has warned neutrals not to travel in Allied liners after March 1st. This claim indicates that our vessels are to be attacked without warning and doubtless represents reprisals re the Baralong incident. The German memorandum whines about our arming liners, the thing the Germans did before the war, and it talks as if hitherto pirates had warned their victims. The Times comments on President Wilson's diplomatic victory is no sooner announced than Germany puts forward another plea to allow her submarines to continue their piracy. The memorandum is a complaint against the perfectly legitimate and long practised right of our merchantmen to carry guns for defence. Germany has thus raised again the whole question of submarine warfare as affecting neutrals. The Daily Chronicle calls it "Germany's sink everything policy," and the Daily News remarks in bold type across its front page, immediately following the settlement of her dispute with American on the Lusitania, "Germany has seized on pretext for resuming her policy of submarine frightfulness."

SEIZED BY GERMANS.

LONDON, To-day. A Stockholm despatch to the Daily Telegraph, says that the Swedish s.s. Friga, with coffee and pieces of goods for Gothenburg, has been seized by the Germans, and taken into Swinemunde.

RUSSIANS CAPTURE A TURKISH AMBASSADOR.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 10. A despatch from Tcheran says that Assin Bey, Turkish Ambassador to Persia, has been captured by a patrol of Cossacks near Kerehli. Three companions who were taken prisoners at the same time as the Ambassador, have proved to be the Austrian Military Attaché and two Austrian prisoners of war who had escaped from the Russians some time ago.

ARTILLERY BATTLE ON BELGIAN FRONT.

AMSTERDAM, To-day. A despatch from Ghent says: On the Belgian front between Ypres and Armentieres a violent artillery battle has been in progress ten days and the Germans are very busy strengthening their lines, but opinion prevails that they have postponed a large offensive movement until the weather is more favorable. Allied armies are developing unprecedented activity and constantly shelling German camps, artillery parks and military buildings now in the hands of the Germans.

A COUNCIL OF DIPLOMATS.

LONDON, To-day. A closing of the bonds between Italy and other Allies is considered

certain to result from the French Premier Briand's mission to Italy. According to the general tenor of comment in the morning newspapers immediate results are expected. There will be no loser military co-operation in the Balkans. Italy it is said will send troops to Saloniki with the object of showing that there no longer exists any difference of policy among the Allies on account of special national questions, and that all such questions will equally interest the Allies, all of whom will co-operate for their common cause. Another result, which newspapers say is to come, will be the establishment of a Diplomatic Council of the Governments of the Allies with a seat in Paris on the lines of a Military Council. This Diplomatic Council is to be composed of all Ambassadors of the Allies in Paris with Premier Briand as President. A third result of Briand's visit is expected to be the increased participation of Italy in the manufacture of munitions, as Italy has a large amount of labour available for this purpose.

TURKISH HEIR ASSASSINATED BY HIS SUITE.

London, February 3.—The report that the heir to the Turkish throne, Yussuf Izzet, committed suicide is received with general incredulity by the British press although the report has been accompanied by circumstantial details. Thus a despatch to Reuters from Constantinople via Amsterdam says "the prince took his life by opening a vein in his left arm at 7.30 o'clock in the morning. A formal statement declaring that the deceased had met his death by suicide, was signed by all the principal doctors of Constantinople. It says further that the prince was buried with the customary ceremonies on the following morning in the tomb of Sultan Ahmed at Stamboul."

Revolted Against Young Turks.

Paris, February 3.—Yussuf Izzet, whatever may be said, was assassinated by his suite, by order of the committee of union and progress said Cherif Pasha, who, with Prince Sahah Edin, directs the principal movement of the Turkish opposition, to a reported for the Matin.

"Latterly Yussuf had revolted against the dictatorship of the Young Turks. He became dangerous and he has been removed. His successor and cousin, Vahid Edin, is even more hostile to the Young Turks than was Yussuf. I should not like to make prediction regarding the length of his life," says Cherif Pasha in conclusion.

Train Notes.

Yesterday's No. 1 left Arnold's Cove at 1.30 this morning.

An express left Port aux Basques at 11 a.m. to-day for St. John's, bringing passengers and mail.

The Southern Shore train arrived at 11.45 bringing several passengers, including Messrs. McCarthy, Roberts and White.

The local by way of Brigus Junction reached town at 12.40; only one or two passengers came along.



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Below we mention some of the lines now ready for inspection.

White Muslin Blouses with dainty Eyelet Embroidery designs in colors; sizes 32 in. to 42 in. Annual Sale Price 72c

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White Lingerie Blouses and Waists, convertible collar effects, Lace trimmed and Embroidered; also several models in White Muslin and Voile. Annual Sale Price \$1.00

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New Spring Wash Goods

GINGHAMS.

500 yards only, large and small checks, in assorted colors; 27 inches wide. Sale Price, 8c per yard 8c

1000 yards Striped and Checked Gingham, 30 inches wide; colors of Pale Blue, Pink, Grey, &c. Special Sale Price, per yard 13c

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3000 yards of beautiful Wash Crepes, White grounds and Colored Bud designs; two different qualities.

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Light grounds, assorted colorings and designs; 28 inches wide. Sale Price . . 16c

FANCY HAIR CORD MUSLINS.

Pink, Pale Blue and Helio designs; 27 inches wide. Sale Price 9c

VOILES & MARQUISETTES.

In all White and Colored designs; a beautiful assortment of Summer Dress fabrics, many with Silk Embroidery patterns. Sale Price, per yard 24c

PERCALES.

Extra quality Percale for Shirtwaists, Shirts, &c.; very smart striped designs; 32 ins. wide. Sale Price, per yard 13c

OATMEAL CREPE.

Self-colored Cotton Crepe in Blue, Pink, Helio & Grey; 32 ins. wide. Sale Price, yd. 15c

The Royal Stores, Ltd.

"Libre Belgique" Still Defies the Germans.

Paper Published in Brussels Prints News the Foe Would Hide, and Pokes Fun at Them in Merciless Manner—Its Editor Not Discovered.

Paris, Jan. 31.—From Brussels the news leaks out that in spite of the thousands of German spies in the city, the "Libre Belgique" has succeeded in publishing a new issue.

The boldness and wonderful tenacity of the mysterious Belgian patriots who continue, in spite of everything, to publish their daring paper, form an amusing and amazing side to the war.

The Germans, as soon as they had entered Brussels, took possession of all the newspapers. Very soon afterward the "Libre Belgique" appeared. Who was the editor? Where was it printed? No one has ever been able to find out, but it has had and still has the courage to print all the things which the Germans want to remain unknown.

Until now it has appeared in about sixty issues, that is to say almost weekly, and it has published documentary proofs of the German misdeeds, has criticized German bulletins of victories, and has preheated from the start the inevitable downfall of Germany.

In the most merciless manner it teases the conquerors, stimulates the Belgians, gives publicity to the thou-

sands of little tricks which the irrepressible street urchins of Brussels play on the Germans, and flays the Kaiser, the Military Governor and the German Generals in every issue.

It is said that von Gissing himself still receives a special copy with exasperating regularity, and invariably the Governor finds it on top of all of the other papers on his desk.

The Governor first promised a prize of 25,000 francs (\$5,000) to any person who would betray the names of the editors and publishers, and the prize was raised to 50,000 francs.

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It means that disease will soon attack the lungs. Wheezing is distressing to the sufferer and annoying to his friends. Nothing half so certain in bronchitis and throat trouble as "Catarrhoxone"; it gives instant relief and cures even the worst cases. Bronchitis fairly flees under the magic influence of Catarrhoxone which cures so thoroughly the disease never returns. Other remedies may relieve, but Catarrhoxone cures bronchitis, catarrh, and throat trouble for all time to come.

Beware of dangerous substitutes meant to deceive you for genuine Catarrhoxone which is sold everywhere, large size containing two months treatment costs \$1.00; small size, 50c.; sample size, 25c.

BELOW THE STANDARD.

How do you feel to-day? Not quite right? Energy a little below standard—not strong enough to make much exertion? perhaps a slight cough?

Nyal's Cod Liver Compound is what you need. Don't get frightened about those words "Cod Liver." You'd never know it from the taste.

It's a real tonic containing cod liver extract, extract of malt, wild cherry and hypophosphites—a splendid combination.

The cod liver extract builds you up—so does the extract of malt. The wild cherry soothes the bronchial tract and the hypophosphites supply phosphorus to the nervous system—just the thing it needs.

And the taste is pleasant. As an all round tonic, strength restorer and body-builder, you'll find nothing better than Nyal's Cod Liver Compound—so why look further? You will be pleased.

The price is one dollar.

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WANTED, A POLICEMAN. — Last night about 9.30, a young lady passing in Hayward Avenue, was followed by a man of most unprepossessing appearance. The frightened lady had to seek refuge in a house a member of which eventually saw her home. A policeman is wanted badly about this locality.

OLD LANDMARK BLOWS DOWN.

—In the high wind of last night an old and long deserted house on the Blackmarsh Road, was blown down. It was owned some thirty years ago by a Michael Byrne, and many of the older generation remember passing many pleasant hours there in picnicking and country outings.

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shades and yellow. Of course the must be considered as well, but you are true to the color of your and match up your wearing apparel to them, your complexion and coloring will take care of them.

THE TRADE.—Cox's Gelatin. Taken for direct shipment. WOODS, 228 Duckworth St. Sole Agent for Nfld.—Feb. 11