

The Shadow on the German Home.

The Domestic Tragedies on German Soil, Although it is Free of "the Enemy."

"According to a famous saying of the Duke of Wellington, the best fighting general is "the man who can divide what is happening on the other side of the hill."

Here we give some very striking facts, which show the heavy shadow which now rests upon the German home—the domestic and commercial tragedies on German soil—although as yet it may be free of "the enemy."

Rise in Prices.

"The price of the necessities of life has risen from 75 to 100 per cent.," says the Nation. "The women simply cannot live and rear children on the wages or government allowances provided for soldiers' families. Potato bread is still available, but there has been a substantial rise in the price of potatoes, and the poor are crying to the Government for help. Milk and butter show an actual scarcity of supply, combined with prohibitive selling price. Meat is practically out of reach of the poor. All the fat substances show also conspicuous scarcity, and a bewildered Government is calling on the German scientists to produce fat from sewage, dead horses, and other by-products of the war."

The Fight for Food.

Berlin and the great cities look cheerful on the surface to the wanderer. Below, in the poor quarters, women are standing in queues often all night for the right to purchase fragments of meat, bacon, or lard in the morning, and there are scuffles and struggles, during which, in something like a riot, the weakest go to the wall. The Vorwarts of October 15 last describes the scenes at the sales in the municipal shops of meat and lard. The sales began at seven in the morning and lasted till ten. At 10.30 in one shop there were still 100 people when it was closed, and some 1,000 had to go away empty-handed. "Women complained that they had spent three or four nights near the shop door, and yet had not arrived early enough to be served with meat. The rise in the price of foodstuffs, due to the harrack door many who in other times would never have dreamt of begging for a soldier's dinner."

The Authorities Condemned.

"Meanwhile the Central Authorities can do nothing but issue pathetic requests for the rich and middle classes to curtail their supply of butter in order that the poor may live."

"Amid the general condemnation of the country by the cities, the agrarians, not without force, hit back. The rise of prices, they complain, is not their fault. It is entirely due to the deprivation of foreign supplies, combined with the immense rise in the cost of the raw material of their industry."

"From the cities the cry continually comes for fixing maximum prices; together with a general condemnation of that German internal organization, which was supposed to be the wonder of the world."

This Note of Misery.

"So wherever we plunge beneath the flag-waving, music, and band-organizing triumphs of arms, this note of misery is apparent—the misery of war."

"The shadows at home," Page Barms calls it in the Berliner Tageblatt, contrasted with, and, to some extent, clouding the great military achievements of Germany abroad. He bitterly attacks the Government for handling and inefficiently dealing with the problem, and complains that an Empire warring war against the world-powers is seemingly unable to deal with the feeding of its own people, and that the sole result of this incapacity will be an immense revival of Socialism after the war. "The pity of it," he asserts, "is that our brave men and our mighty Empire always seem in the field to be condemned to begin all over again."

"How vital these matters are, how great the misery, is revealed in Vorwarts in a Cologne incident. A bed and wardrobe were offered as a gift in a local paper. The applications were overwhelming, and sample incidents are quoted. 'As I am a poor soldier's wife, with only one bed and no wardrobes, I beg to reply to your advertisement.'"

"All these letters," says the Vorwarts in a courageous comment, "show that the life of the soldiers' families is, after all, something different from the ideas entertained by many simple persons, who see only the surface, and, having deceived themselves, wish to deceive others."

The Ruin to Come.

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"It will be a long time before Germany comes to her last gasp," writes a neutral who has just returned from Germany, "but no one can describe the ruin into which she will be plunged when the day of the victory of the Entente arrives."

The Exporters' Confessions.

Some severely commercial facts given by the Observer proves conclusively that Germany is feeling the pinch. See what her own exporters confess.

"It is possible to select from dossiers, numbered not in tens but in hundreds, evidence as to the state of mind of those who two years ago gave Germany its strength," says the Observer.

"As far as the commercial war is concerned," writes a German merchant to his branch abroad, "England has at the present time far and away the upper hand, for the export and import of overseas goods via neutral lands is to-day practically out of the question." That was in April of this year.

"Two months later another firm posted two letters, the one to a commercial house in the United States, the other to its foreign branch.

"In consequence of the existing prohibition of exports," runs the former, "as well as of the impossibility of shipping the goods at present, the delivery of any order must be held back until the conditions may make a shipment possible." The note of the second is more definite: "The new English measures are so vigorous that we anticipate very great difficulties with regard to our import consignments, even if the goods come from ports belonging to the Allied Powers (Austria and Turkey)."

Sad Position.

"From your letter . . .," says a third distinguished German firm, "we are sorry to see that you have not the slightest idea of the sad position of German transmarine business at the present time. Meanwhile I have to

reckon with the impossibility of sending you consignments through neutral countries. We reckon the value of the businesses which have been destroyed through England's commercial war, on a moderate estimation, of the capital value of the average profits of the last ten years."

Practically Penniless.

"Let us add but one other to these seven quotations in our catalogue of concerns that once were great and now have no existence. 'For fifty years,' says the last German merchant we shall quote, 'for fifty years my father and I have built our business up. To-day we are practically penniless. Our export trade is absolutely stopped, and I see no prospect whatever that, in my lifetime at least, we shall ever be able to recover it.'"

Wedding at Fort Massey

Of Miss Lillian McLean and Mr. John Lorraine Cavanagh.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock, in Fort Massey Church, the Rev. R. W. Ross officiated at a very quiet, but none the less attractive wedding, that of Miss Lillian McLean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. McLean, of St. John's Newfoundland, and Mr. John Lorraine Cavanagh, of the Canadian Engineers, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cavanagh, of New Glasgow.

The bride, who during her residence in Halifax, while attending Dalhousie, won for herself many and warm friends, looked very charming in a gown of white tulle, with overdress of nixon, and bodice of shadow lace, pearl edged. The veil of embroidery net was most becomingly draped with clusters of lily of the valley. The shower bouquet was of roses, carnations and lily of the valley. Both bride and groom were unattended and only immediate friends and relatives were invited to be present. In the unavoidable absence of her father, the bride was given away by her uncle, Mr. George M. McLean, of Hopewell, N.S. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cavanagh, father and mother of the groom, and his two sisters, the Misses Cavanagh, were present and are guests at the Queen, and Mrs. McLean, mother of the bride, who has been with her at Hillside. The going-away gown was a navy blue tailored costume, with black fox furs and large dark gray hat, with white facing and artistic notes of pink.

Among the more than usual array of very beautiful gifts, two users of special interest—a very handsome fitted seal travelling-case, from the officers of the 6th Division of the Royal Canadian Engineers, and a large silver tray from the girls of Forrest Hall.

As Mr. Cavanagh has been unable to obtain leave, Mrs. Cavanagh is accompanying her husband on his daily trips to various points through New Brunswick—Halifax Recorder, Dec. 8.

[The bride is a daughter of Mr. E. M. McLean, the well-known tanner of the West End. The Evening Telegram extends congratulations.

Kind to Nild. Reservists

On their recent visit to the Mediterranean the crew of the S.S. Neptune met at Naples about a score of Newfoundland Reservists, who were attached to H. M. Troopship Carona. The Reservists were principally H. Grace and St. John's men. They all were anxious to tell their shipmates fellow countrymen of the Neptune that they will never forget the kindness and hospitality shown to them at Naples by a family named Shea, who are relatives of the present Dr. Harry Shea, of this city. The Reservists say that they never have to buy any cigarettes or tobacco of any kind, as such articles are given them generously by the Shea family.

Modest Hero.

At a country station a little child, owing to the rush of a crowd of trippers, was pushed over in front of an outgoing train. Quick as a flash a working-man jumped into the four-foot, threw the child on to the platform and scrambled up himself, but scarcely quick enough, as the engine in passing roled him over on the platform.

Several people hastened to his aid, but he rose uninjured, and with a face expressive of extreme concern drew out of his pocket a coloured handkerchief containing his day's victuals, which he cursorily examined, and then gently exclaimed, "Confound it! Just my luck!"

"What is the matter?" "Why, I've broken two eggs and a rhubarb tart, and it's all mixed up with my tea and sugar."

Cape Report.

Special to Evening Telegram.

CAPE RACE, To-day.

Wind W.N.W., fresh, weather fine; the steamer Corunna, schr. David O. Ritcey, and another unknown three-masted scho'r, passed in Saturday evening. The s.s. Meigs, s.s. Newfoundland, schrs. Hilda E., Etie M. Morrissey and an unknown three-masted schr. in yesterday. Nothing sighted to-day. Bar. 29.60; ther. 34.

Conferring of the Pallium.

Yesterday after solemn High Mass Coran Pontifical at the R. C. Cathedral, the Pallium, the insignia of the office of an Archbishop, was conferred on His Grace the Most Rev. E. P. Roche, D.D., the ceremony being performed by His Lordship Bishop March, of St. John's. The Mass was celebrated by the Very Rev. W. P. Doutey, assisted by Rev. Frs. Ashley and O'Flaherty as deacon and sub-deacon respectively. His Grace Archbishop Roche was assisted at the throne by Rev. Drs. Murphy and Whelan of Harbor Grace diocese while Very Rev. J. J. McDermott acted as high priest. His Lordship Bishop March occupied the throne on the epistle side of the altar and was assisted by Rev. Frs. McGee and Maher. In the Sanctuary also were Rt. Revs. Monsignor Reardon, Monsignor St. John, and Very Rev. Dean Roche, while the stalls were occupied by Revs. L. V. Vereker, Ferryland, R. Tierney, Petty Harbor, W. Renouf, Trepassy, E. J. O'Brien, Northern Bay, T. J. Gouvea, A. F. Fyfe, St. Kieran's, P. Cacciola, Bar Haven, P. Kelly, Manuels, Rev. Frs. Conway, Nangle, Sheehan, Pippy and Dr. Kitchin. Rev. Dr. Green, assisted by Rev. Dr. Carter, was Master of Ceremonies. After the first Gospel, Rev. Fr. McDermott ascended the pulpit and delivered an eloquent sermon on the Pallium, referring to the great honor conferred on His Grace by his appointment to the Archbishopric of St. John's. We congratulate His Grace on the honor conferred on him and wish him a long and happy life.

Amusements.

THE GODDESS AT THE NICKEL TO-DAY.

A very interesting programme has been arranged for the Nickel Theatre to-day and it will, no doubt, attract the usual large audiences. The principal picture is "The Goddess," the third chapter of which will be shown. This charming serial is popular with all. There is another great story entitled: "The Breath of Araby," a three-part Broadway Star feature. Helen Gardner, Roger Lytton, Herbert Frank and Paul Searnton are in the leading characters. The Selig Co. presents a thrilling melodrama: "The Face at the Window." "The Path Weekly" will show all the latest current events. The wonderful "Who Pays" series is coming to the Nickel shortly. This is something new and will delight all. All should make an effort to attend the Nickel to-day.

THE CRESCENT PICTURE PALACE.

The Crescent Picture Palace presents a big week opening show. "After the Storm" is a great photo-play produced in two reels by the Biograph Company. Isabel Rice features in a Western comedy drama, "Just a Lark." A tale of a reformation is pictured in "The Eagle and the Sparrow," and two very funny comedies are: "His Own Hero" and "Mud and Matrimony." Mr. Dan Delmar sings a class ballad: "The Garden of the Gods." A special three-part feature—"The Blessed Miracle" will be presented on Wednesday.

BRITISH THEATRE.

A most interesting programme of photo-plays is billed for to-night and to-morrow at the new theatre. The principal picture is "The Black Pearl" in which Hobart Henley, the popular I.M.P. actor, plays the leading part. This picture is full of interesting and thrilling situations. The Universal Animated Weekly contains many interesting scenes among which are several taken from the appearance of the late Lieut. Becker at Sing Sing just before his execution. His wife is also shown. Mary Pickford appears in a pretty little drama entitled "Second Sight," and the versatile favorite Matt Moore is seen in a humorous play "How he fooled Auntie." This is a splendid offering and should be well patronized. A NIGHT IN JAPAN BY BALLARD

BROWN AND MADGE LOCKE.

One of the very prettiest acts ever seen will be given to-night at Rossley's Theatre by Mr. Ballard Brown and Miss Madge Locke, "A Night in Japan." All the songs and beautiful costumes are new for the act. These favorites will delight lovers of good songs, for their act to-night is very fine. The pictures are the best seen in long time. The rehearsals for the pantomime "Beauty and the Beast," are going ahead all the time and the costumes are the finest ever seen here no matter what the production has been. The songs and dances are away ahead of any other pantomime and when there is Mr. Ballard Brown and Miss Madge Locke added to the large cast, it goes without saying it will be excellent. Don't forget the fancy dress ball at "Ours" Monday, Dec. 27th.

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