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The Kaiser, the Czar and Sir Edward Grey.

Comment On The Three Men Who Hold The Peace of Europe In Their Hands---Written Before The War.

The Kaiser

statesman trained in "the indi- lic! How many fools does it take to rect, crooked ways" of Bismarck, make the public?" he seems to say governed by one passion, the pas- with a statesman of an earlier time. sion to make his land great and pow- And yet, perhaps, that is unjust, for erful. Is he a menace or a safe- there is no trace of bitterness in him.

Let his past be his witness. For the taint of contempt or the airs of twenty years he has had the peace of Europe in his keeping and for twenty years not a German soldier has fallen the manner born. He takes his place in war. "We are a military people," at the high table without pushing said a Minister to me in Berlin, "but and without challenge. He is there we are not a warlike people. It is by a sort of royal authority, unconyou who are warlike without being scious of itself, but imaged in the

And so we may say of Kaiser. He eye, and the governing nose. the throne," said a politician to me. "He is distrusted by the warlike party-and remember that Germany has a considerable school of thinkers who believe in war philosophically as a national purgative. They believe he is timid. But the truth is he wants peace because it is his own and the nation's chief interest.

"Remember how he disappointed expectation when he came to the throne. Germany was on the verge of war with Russia and France combined, and Europe saw the accession of the youthful Kaiser, so hotheaded and impulsive, with fearful expectation. Here was a new Napoleon, filled with dreams of glory, armed with the most gigantic military weapon in

"And his first official words were words of peace; his first act to visit the European courts, returning with the message, 'I believe that, with the help of God, I have succeeded in ensuring the peace of the world for many years to come.' Set this and record of his reign against those sudden ebullitions that seem so alarming, but are really only sound and fury, signifying nothing."

He keeps his powder dry and his GERMAN ARMY armor bright. But he stands for peace-peace armed to the teeth, it is true; peace with the mailed fist; but peace nevertheless.

The Czar

the exile of Russian nobles, the flog- The Gazette states that a secret ging of peasants, the imprisonment German arms depot, plentifully supand butchery of Russian working- plied, has been discovered in Brusmen, the establishment of a wide- sels spread system of espiorage, and the abolition of law are all measures WELSH STEAMER which the Minister suggests and The Tsar heartily sanctions."

That was written before the mockery of a Constitution was granted; Plehves and the Bobrikoffs have gone fog. to their doom, but their successors When the forts challenged her, the morrow owing to the mobilization of

on Prince Obolensky for his energy The forts immediately fired and the in flogging the peasants of the Gov-vessel fled to Vouchall before a fusil-ernment of Kharkoff until many of ade of shots, to buy the necessary RUSSIAN LINER'S them died, is the same hand that de- bunting, corates the Tsarevitch with the badge of the Black Hundreds, that U.S. HAS SEALED errible instrument of vengeance. formed almost at the moment that the constitution was granted, and already drenched in a sea of inno-

made the great refusal of history, and sealed up the wireless appar- gers, He might have been the founder of atus of vessels in the harbor flying Wild excitement prevailed among a new and happier Russia—the Com- the flags of the warring European the passengers when it became known mons' King of his youthful vision. Powers. He has chosen to be an autocrat and This action follows the censorship Hungary and Germany. a prisoner in his 40 palaces. In ten placed upon wireless stations along When the Dwinsk sailed from Lisvears he has exiled 78,000 of his subjects and driven all the best of the the neutrality of the United States, aware that the situation was so acut nation's sons that have escaped Si-

beria to take refuge in other lands. But he himself is the saddest exile of all, for he is exiled from the domain of our common humanity-2 prisoner in body and in spirit, hedged around by his guards, suspecting the cup that he drinks, forbidden to dine anywhere save in his own palace, re ceiving his guests at sea, for he dare not receive them ashore, a hapless, pitiful figure that sits perked up on glistring grief and wears a golden

Sir Edward Grey

Sir Edward Grey is, indeed, the east democratic, as he is the least demonstrative of men. He belongs more than any man today to the great Whig tradition—the Whig tradition touched by the strong personality of Bishop Creighton, who was his tutor when that great man held a parsonage in Northumberland, and by the passionless spirit of the Bal-

He distrusts the irresponsible way-

wardness of public opinion, with its MPULSIVE, imperious, dramatic, a quick emotions and passionate transitions. "The public! The pub-CITY OF LIEGE

It sits on him naturally. He is to

and his patrician view is free from

The unrivalled confidence which he commands in the country is not wholly shared by those who regard England as the banner-bearer in the

His policy is governed by a fixed idea-the idea that peace must preserved by having friends, and that the concert of Europe is a creed outworn. Under the inspiration of this idea he has committed this country to the support of the most reactionary government in Europe, and has given longer. tendency to events which is rapidly hardening Anglo-German relations into a condition of permanent

The entente under him has taken a sinister color, and the inflexibility of his mind, unqualified by large knowledge, swift apprehension of events or urgent passion of humanity, constitutes a peril of the future.

His aims are high, his honor stainthe honesty of those on whom he has to rely, render it easy for him drift into courses which a more im-

Brussels, via London, Aug. 11.—The HAS RESIGNED report is confirmed that the German have ceased their forward movement "The massacre of Jews, the ban- along the River Ourth which joins shment of Finns, the spoilation of the Meuse a mile above Liege and a Armenians, the persecution of Poles, movement North of Liege is expected.

Queenstown, Aug. 11 .- A small tion to-day in order that he might but the spirit of the Russian Govern- Welsh coal steamer tried to enter serve in the Russian army. ment is the same to-day. The de Queenstown last night during a dense Communication between Bulgaria

captain was unable to answer owing the Turks, according to a semi-offi-The hand that conferred a star up- to the absence of signal flags aboard. cial statement issued here to-day.

New York, Aug. 10.-The United by German cruisers. States Customs officials went out on The Dwinsk arrived off the harbor The Czar will live as the man who the revenue cutter Calumet to-day last night. She brought 700 passen-

the coast, and is intended to enforce bau, onne of the passengers were

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# GERMANS ENTER

Small Groups First Entered and Took Possession-German Officers Threaten Bombardment Unless the Forts Surrendered

London, Aug. 10,-Belgian's admission that Leige has been occupied to some extent by German troops bold sculpture of the face, the steady came in a despatch from The New York Times correspondent at Maastritcht dated Saturday morning, and may be supposed to mean that the German force within the city is a comparatively small one, but probacause of human liberty. For this bly big enough for its purpose, namely to cut off the forts from intercommunication and from being reinforced from the city.

No doubt the forts are fairly well supplied with provisions and ammunition and have their own water supply, but it is unlikely that they will be able to hold out very muc

It must be confessed that the facthat the Germans have forced an entry into the town through the circle of powerful forts around is a very considerable success.

It must be presumed that a large portion of the Belgian army-the Germans say one-fourth-was within the town and that it had been withdrawn or driven out.

A message from Brussels mentions less, but the slow movement of his the King of the Belgians as having reviewed the troops who took part in the defence of Liege. This supports the view of the Belgian retirement from the city, though not of course, from the forts, who are now fighting each for itself.

The German siege guns have not yet been brought into play against the forts and it is doubtful whether CHANGES PLANS they have yet been brought up.

## TO JOIN ARMY

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Sofia, Bulgaria, Aug. 10.—General Demibrieff, who was Commander-in-Chief of the Bulgarian army during the war against Turkey, and who is HAD TO RUN FOR IT the new Bulgarian Minister at St. Petersburg, telegraphed his resigna-

and Turkey will be interrupted to-

# **EXCITING TRIP**

Halifax, Aug. 10.—For twelve days UP WIRELESS the Russian-American liner Dwinsk was in great danger of being captured

that Russia was at war with Austria-

altho' there was a feeling among many of them that war might break out. The The reason this opinion was the action of a number of the military authorities in delaying the sailing of the ship and ordering a number of the ships officers and passengers on board, who were attached to the army to remain at home. Those who had done active service in the army were forced to remain and shoulder guns. It was not until four days out from Halifax that the commander of the ship became aware of the peril in

Then the wireless operator picked up a message, the captain was unable to say what ship sent it, saying that Russia and Germany were at war.

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