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The Situation.

The German military authorities affect to make light of the fall of Erzerum, but it is safe to affirm that a similar feat, if accomplished by themselves, would have been hailed as one of the greatest importance. So it is without any doubt. Late despatches show the terrible toll which the Turks paid at the point of the Russian bayonets, and that the troops of the Czar are following up their advantage in a most notable way. The days of Islam in Asia Minor, in short, seem to be numbered. Through it all the master hand of the Grand Duke Nicholas is plainly discernible.

As announced over the Courier special wire service in last evening's issue, the British House of Commons has passed two new war credit votes of \$2,100,000,000.

"I feel the enormous and overwhelming responsibility in asking the House for this gigantic sum," said the Premier, "and could not do so unless I was satisfied that the Government had most carefully explored the ground, so that we are not asking for a penny more than the exigencies of our cause and the great historic responsibilities which we have undertaken require, and unless we were satisfied that every possible precaution is being taken to see that the taxpayers' money is not being wasted."

It must be remembered that John Bull is not alone carrying his own tremendous burden, but he has, including the Dominions, loaned \$451,000,000 to the Allies.

The Allies are asking for greater control over the Government railways in Greece, and this may lead to new complications.

It is reported that another submarine has been active in the Bosphorus and scaring the people of Constantinople.

Lonely Hubbies.

"The Husbands' Welfare Association" is stated to be the name of a club which has been recently formed in Oakmount, a fashionable suburb of Pittsburgh.

The legend runs that the organization was launched at the home of a prominent citizen whose better-half has a habit during the winter of "resting" at Palm Beach or some other place like that, and thirty-four hubbies similarly afflicted have promptly enrolled themselves.

There cannot be any doubt that across the border, among those who have achieved riches, it is quite the proper caper, in a large percentage of instances, for mother and the girls to put in a fine time in Europe or various home resorts while father is working away at a steady grind and chafing at the collar in order to pull up enough ducats to keep the merry-go-round working for the fair sex members of his establishment. A visit to just about every summer or winter resort is amply sufficient to demonstrate this circumstance. The writer remembers once seeing a careworn-looking New York business man meet the partner of his joys and her offspring of the female persuasion, who had been doing London, gay Paris and the other European attractions, and her first remark was, "Well, how's business?"

It has been intimated that the custom of compressed feet in China was in the first place originated to prevent the women folk from gadding.

On the other hand, it must be remembered that so high an authority as the Bishop of London, whose sociological knowledge is profound, always urges it to be an excellent plan for married men and women to take their holidays separately—that they get enough of each other's company during the rest of the year, and that a couple of temporary annual separations is a good thing and tends to help mutual satisfaction in the society of each other. As opposed to this there is the well-known incident of a prominent public man in England, who, coming home and not seeing his wife, exclaimed to one of the daughters, "Where's your mother?" "Why, father," returned the young damsel, "you don't seem to be able to bear mother out of your sight." "Well, that's what I married her for," he replied.

And above it all don't forget that in just about every country anywhere a

"Woman's Welfare Association" could also be formed, for not a few lords of creation spend about every night in the week out and seem to regard home as the place of last resort.

A Suitable Move.

Premier Borden has done a graceful act and at the same time, a significant act in having the Premier of Australia, now on a visit to this country, sworn in as a member of the Canadian Privy Council.

This admits him to a seat at the Dominion Cabinet sittings, just in the same way as Sir Robert Borden, upon his last visit to the Old Country, was asked to sit with the British Cabinet. One of Laurier's ex-Ministers in the House at the commencement of the session, made the cheap sneer that in doing so he was playing to the Tories, but the incident in reality was fraught with the deep significance of the times.

This war has exemplified in a remarkable and cogent manner that all of us who have the glorious privilege of living under the grand old Union Jack, are at one heart and soul in any matter affecting the great British Empire. It has been demonstrated to the full that an assault on Great Britain, is equally regarded as an assault upon Canada, Australia and the rest of the Overseas Dominions, and that the predominant and pre-eminent fact has been established in time of a common danger, that we are all most emphatically of the one household.

After this struggle, the voice of the Dominions is going to be heard in Imperial councils, and this is as it should be.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The community has been shocked to hear of the tragic death of Mr. E. Stedman, Sr. Of him, it may be said that in addition to his own honorable career, it falls to the lot of few men to see his sons as he did, grow by their own exertions, to such worthy success in this community.

Premier Borden has been made an honorary life member of the Lawyers Club of New York, and will be tendered a banquet by them at the close of the session. It is very evident that the Gotham disciples of Blackstone know a man of world size when they see one.

The city council of Berlin is to be congratulated upon their decision, by a large majority, to recommend the

changing of the name of that place. We don't want anywhere in Canada to perpetuate anything with regard to the Huns, or the pariah among the nations which that country has proved itself. By the way, there is a thoroughfare in Brantford called "Brunswick Street." Now the Duchy of Brunswick is a State of Germany, and the title should be changed to Carvel street or something like that.

SOLDIERS WHO ARE COMING HOME FROM THE FRONT

List of Names of Those Who Landed in Canada Yesterday.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

St. John, Feb. 22.—Among the wounded Canadians who returned last night on the Misanabie was Sergeant Joseph Bruno of Toronto, who won the distinguished conduct medal for bravery with Captain Tidy. Sergeant Bruno left his trench "Plus Street" and went out after three German snipers. The Germans were operating from behind trees, but Tidy and Bruno came upon them. One German drew a bead on Captain Tidy when Bruno shot him dead. The others were then captured and brought to the Canadian lines. Bruno was three times wounded, the first time at Ypres, over the eye, the second time while fighting in the trenches near Ypres and the third by machine gun fire at Kemmel. He has been invalided home, but after a brief visit in Montreal and Toronto, he expects to go back to the front. Generally speaking, the wounded men seen on their arrival expressed the opinion that the fighting would continue all of this year, and well into 1917, but there could be no doubt as to the outcome.

THOSE WHO RETURNED.

Ninth Battalion—Privates L. Clark, H. Gerrish, R. W. Horton, W. R. Hyndam, T. Hascol, J. R. Tidy, H. H. Drake, A. R. Figg, A. R. Green, R. R. Rose, J. B. Sylvester, G. C. Couchman and G. Dancock.
Eleventh Battalion—Privates J. Davidson, W. W. West, S. Auburn, T. Hackett, G. Eddy, V. C. McClifford, R. Horne, R. P. Duncan, T. A. Gremam, J. A. MacDonald, J. McIntosh, J. W. Skelthorne, J. Thompson, D. Morgan, Sergt. W. Daly.
Twelfth Battalion—Lance Corp. J. Hill, Cook, Privates C. Fenwick, J. Hill, T. J. Shedden, T. J. Menley, T. Crane, N. H. Clarke, Van Buskerk,

J. Kelly, J. H. Lafagey, M. Murphy, Sergt. J. E. Letten.
Thirteenth Battalion—Privates J. Hoggie, S. M. Eastwood, R. S. Taylor, W. Quinn, K. Baillie, Sergts, H. C. Touroux and W. Jones.
Twenty-third Battalion—Privates W. J. Platt, R. Adams, R. Burns, J. Coulet, A. McDouglas, N. Burns, A. Onieschenko, J. C. Poirier, T. Calanogry.
Thirtieth Battalion—Privates J. Davey, F. L. Daly, P. Andrews, C. Viger, J. Barnes, K. Fraser, E. Garvey, P. McHallen, H. W. Warwick, H. G. Delf, G. Howard, Sergt. D. Robbins.
Thirty-second Battalion—Privates E. J. Prout, J. E. Wheatly, R. Stebbings, T. A. Harris.
Thirty-Sixth Battalion—Privates E. C. Foskock, W. Davies, J. C. Four, Hopen, G. Bacon, J. Barlow, F. Childers, J. R. Jockells, E. W. Howell, Captain L. Sullivan, Lance Corporal T. L. Green, Corp. McGraw.
Thirty-Ninth Battalion—Pte. Gilchrist.
Fortieth Battalion—Ptes. L. Marsh, G. H. Sweet.
Forty-Third Battalion—Ptes. J. Harrington, J. D. Rose, G. Moorford, W. G. Ticker.
Forty-Fourth Battalion—Pte. C. E. Warren.
Reserve Artillery—D. J. Whitehead, E. Thomas, W. Webster, W. Hopen, H. Dickson, W. Walker, C. S. VanSickle, G. Guster.
Cavalry Depot—Ptes. Jones and D. McLean.
S. C.—Ptes. A. Lapointe, D. Berwick, G. E. Martin, E. Sanders, Sergt. Major, R. E. Balfour.
T. D. E.—P. C. Morrison, P. L. Bold, B. C. Ralsh and J. F. Morton.
S. C. School—S. Saxby, T. Brimbov, O. Reid, H. O. Morris, E. B. Mursey, F. E. A. Reaume, R. Sodden, D. Goddard, T. Dennis, F. King, T. F. Rogers, Sergt. A. W. McPherson.
Sixty-First Battalion—X. Cantin, Sergt. R. Allan, 13th company; Sergt. Major J. A. Armitage, 43rd battalion; Sapper E. F. Voilette, 42nd battalion; Corp. J. R. Angus, Sergeant Danzereau, Sergt. A. C. Curry, 5th battalion; Sergt. A. W. Robb, W. T. Pihoh H. Lanenby, J. W. Hedden, F. Johnston, F. Phair, R. Cornish, E. Cranston, T. Murphy, W. B. Bodenham, G. Whitaker, C. Wood, C. Baillet, A. J. Lloyd, E. R. Jones, J. Warton, A. J. Payne, R. Williams, J. H. Salle, W. H. Barrett, H. Lenere, H. Layton, A. T. Smith, S. T. Turner, J. Smith, A. McCort, J. Selderkin, J. E. Darby, H. O. Smith, M. Marshall, H. J. F. Keddy, W. F. Fosyth, J. Evans, H. Ramsey, W. H. Burchall, A. A. Walters, T. E. Hall and F. J. Wright.

Berlin has reduced the allowance of butter to each person to 1-4 pounds a week.
The French ship Memphis has been sunk by an Austrian submarine off Durazzo.

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Gossip of Notables

Ferdinand of Bulgaria has never been persona grata at the court of Vienna, and like all the crowned heads of the Balkan States, he was despised and looked down upon not only by the Emperor and his entourage but also by the Viennese in general. The late King Milan of Serbia knew this so well that during many years he regularly and handsomely subsidized the editor of the Neue Freie Presse.

When Ferdinand visited Vienna after his appointment as Prince of Bulgaria he waited in vain for an audience with Francis Joseph, but in order to spare himself the humiliation of leaving the city without being received by the Emperor he decided to apply to Frau Schraath, the "old friend" of the Emperor, whose attachment to her dates back many years ago when she was a favorite singer of light opera. Francis Joseph gave a house to Frau Schraath at Ischi, where during the summer she visits her daily and often follows her advice.

Ferdinand of Bulgaria sent Frau Schraath a jewel case containing a pair of beautiful earrings with the following note: "I deem it an honor to offer you the earrings my mother wore till the day of her death, and I beg you to accept them and intercede with the Emperor on my behalf."

Ferdinand of Bulgaria received by the Emperor. His head was all but turned with joy, and in order to create a favorable impression with the Emperor he carried with him in a large leather bag the best specimens of his collection of manuscripts, family documents and heraldry papers, which he presented to the aged monarch for inspection in the course of the audience.

Francis Joseph was bored to death and did not hesitate to show it. In fact, he occasionally yawned while he glanced casually over the documents and shortened the audience. After Ferdinand of Bulgaria had left the Emperor told the chamberlain in attendance, Count Thau, that he was surprised that even a Balkan sovereign could be so lacking in good manners as to consider himself on terms of equality with an emperor, and added: "He presented his case like any common notary."

"Your Majesty," answered the Count, "the gentlemen in waiting in the ante-chamber when they saw him with the leather bag under his arm nicknamed him 'the advocate' even before your Majesty had compared him to a notary."

The Rome Maritime Review says Germany is building an unsinkable Dreadnought; it has three hulls.

Explosion of the ammunition store at Nish killed or wounded 43 Bulgars, and 50 Serbs were arrested.

The Rev. Dr. Charles Eaton has withdrawn his resignation as pastor of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, New York.

The Italian official statement reports the making of small advances by Italian infantry in the Sugana valley.

At the Bordeaux clearing hospital, out of 64,385 wounded treated during the past year, 38,902 were able to rejoin their regiments after convalescence.

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