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Defence of Kitchener.

MR. ASQUITH'S ALLUSION TO LORD FRENCH'S LETTERS.

Mr. Asquith, speaking at Newcastle, warmly defended Lord Kitchener from the aspersions cast upon him by Lord French. The salient passages of his statement were as follows:—

The last thing I should desire is to have anything in the nature of a controversy with Lord French. He is an old personal friend. He has taken an unusual, and I think, an unfortunate course in giving to the world at this stage a narrative of what happened under his command. Some of his statements I find it difficult, and even impossible, to reconcile with my own recollection of the facts and with contemporaneous documents. The living can take care of themselves, and make their contribution—as some of us will have to do when the fitting time comes—to the materials on which history will pronounce its verdict. With the dead it is different, and I am constrained, in justice to the memory of Lord Kitchener, to refer in a few words to the account which Lord French has given of his visit to Paris in the early autumn of 1914.

In the first place it is wholly untrue to suggest that either Lord Kitchener, who was Secretary of State for War, or the home Government, contemplated or attempted to supersede the commander in the field, but the Government were seriously disquieted by communications from Sir John French, as he then was, regarding his intentions.

After full deliberations the Cabinet unanimously came to important conclusions. Lord Kitchener, with the knowledge and full consent of all his colleagues, was entrusted with the duty of conveying and explaining those conclusions to Sir John French. In visiting France and conferring with Sir John French he performed a service of the greatest value to the country, and, as the event showed, with the happiest results. It is impossible to deal adequately with the case until, in due course, there is a full disclosure of the confidential documents, including Sir John French's letters, which passed at the time, but you may take this from me—Lord Kitchener's friends may await in perfect serenity the process of disclosure. (Loud and prolonged cheers.) I am sorry I had to say that, but it had to be said.—English paper.

Three Community Nurses are needed to do the public health work here and attend to all the calls received. About three thousand dollars are necessary to finance this proposition for next year and the rest of this one. What are you going to give towards it? jne19,41

Give Them a Job.

By Denis A. McCarthy.
We've given them flowers, we've given them cheers,
Smiles most joyous and tenderest tears,
We've welcomed them back with glitter and show,
Voices thrilling and eyes aglow.
We've called them heroes. They've grinned at that.
Blushing a bit 'neath the old tin hat,
As, day after day we've swelled the strain.
Of pride for valor, and pity for pain.
And who will wonder they found it sweet
After their labor such love to meet?
But now that's past. Are you proud of them still?
Then find them a place that a man may fill.
This hero-stuff isn't going to last.
The war is over. The past is past.
And here they stand in our crowded ways
Asking for neither our pity nor praise.
Heroes nor demi-gods, neither now
With medals and breast-plates and laurel-brow,
But men. Just men. And they seek a place
In the daily toil and the daily race.
Just this. No more. Neither cheer nor sob,
But the chance of living that goes with a job!

So give them a job. For the job they've had
Was a man's-sized job. And the youngest lad
That knew the horrors—the struggle, the stench,
The wounds and death of field and trench—
Is a boy no more. He must henceforth plan
And look on life with the eyes of a man.
Tried as by fire, and found to be true,
And he's not begging from me or from you.
No, they're not looking for easy snaps,
These straight and sun-burned soldiers' claps,
But they, over there, have given the best
That their lives were worth, that their souls possessed.
And now that the cheers and the songs die out
Don't leave them looking and longing about!
You liked the way that the work was done
Of putting the Rhine between you and the Hun?
Then take the fellows who turned that trick,
Who ended the war and ended it quick,
And give them, leather-neck, dough-boy and gob,
Your last best gift in the shape of a job!

Among Englishwomen the custom of going without hats is rapidly spreading. Lady Rhonda, Miss Mary McArthur and other famous women speakers have joined the no-hat brigade when speaking on public platforms. In many of the law courts women witnesses now give their evidence hatless, while at theatres, at race courses and at other places of amusement, both indoor and outdoor, more and more women are taking up the practice.

The Seaplane Carrier "Argus."

At the opening of the war in Europe, a first-class cargo and passenger ship which was 535 feet long, 68 feet beam and 40 feet deep was being built for an Italian shipping company. Because of the rush of war orders, work on this vessel was discontinued; but in 1916 the British Admiralty decided to take over the ship and transfer her into a large seaplane carrier and this work was done at the Wm. Beardmore & Co.'s yard on the Clyde, where the ship had been laid down.

The admiralty had already done some work along these lines in the case of the 32-knot battle-cruiser 'Furious.' In the case of the 'Furious,' a flying deck extending from stem to stern was built above the original structure of the ship, and because of her length a long stretch of free and unobstructed platform was available. Due to the obstructions presented by the large smoke-stack, the bridge, and the tripod mast, it was not possible, of course, to utilize the whole seven to eight hundred feet length of the vessel as a continuous platform.

In reconstructing the 'Argus,' however, it was determined to provide an absolutely clear runway for the whole 535 feet length of the vessel and also to build within her a large hangar capable of housing 20 seaplanes and the various workshops, storerooms, etc., necessary in such an installation. Wind-tunnel tests made to show what air disturbances are produced by the upper structures of a ship when driving at speed showed that, to get the best results, the space between the hangar roof and the flying deck must be left as open as possible. Consequently, the flying deck was carried upon an open frame-work consisting of steel columns braced diagonally.

It was also found that the emission of gases through the usual vertical funnels of a steamship produce serious air disturbances, and consequently it was decided to connect the up-takes from the boilers with two large horizontal funnels, one on each side of the ship, placed below the flying deck, which would lead the gases to the stern of the ship and there discharge them. These horizontal funnels are provided with expansion joints, and they are kept cool by means of ventilating fans. At the after-ends of the funnels are large discharge fans, each about 10 feet in diameter, which are driven by 74 brake horse-power electrical motors.

The flying deck is entirely clear of obstructions. There are no funnels, masts or pilot house visible when the flying platform is in service. A small pilot house can be raised or lowered by hydraulic power. It is normally in raised position, but when going into action it is brought down until its roof is flush with the flying deck. There are two derricks forward for lifting the planes from the water, should they alight there, and below the after-end of the flying deck, which has an overhang of 80 feet, there are two steel electric cranes for the same purpose.

The speed of the ship as originally designed was increased from 18 to a maximum of 20½ knots with an ordinary service speed of 20 knots. Below the flying deck there has been built a seaplane hangar which is 330 feet long by 68 feet wide, with a clear interior width of 48 feet designed to accommodate 20 seaplanes.

This hangar is built above the original shelter deck of the ship, the roof above being carried on deep web frames. These frames are carried up the ship's side to a height of 25 feet 6 inches above the original sheltered deck. The roof is built of steel on widely spaced transverse girders and longitudinal beams and there is a clear head-room in the hangar of about 20 feet. In the hangar is a thermo-tank heating unit, and on the walls are radiators, racks for carrying torpedoes, and also an overhead runway for transporting the seaplanes.

In the storerooms are accommodated spare parts, wings, propellers, torpedoes and bombs, and forward of the hangar are large workshops fully equipped with machine tools. The navigating bridge, houses for officers, etc., are placed forward under the flying deck, and only the chart-house ever appears above this deck. The chart house is capable



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In addition to the storage for aircraft in the hangar, provision is made for carrying them on the flying deck, in which case a timber palisading can be raised about this deck to act

as a wind screen. The palisades are so arranged that they can be raised simultaneously 14 feet above the deck level. Outside of and around the flying deck is fitted a wide safety net. Two signal and wireless telegraphy

masts are arranged, so that they can be lowered flush with the flying deck. There are special contrivances and winches for overhauling all slack rigging; this also applies to rangefinders and gun control instruments for use with anti-aircraft guns. The ship is armed with four 4-inch anti-aircraft guns, which can also be used against submarines, and two 4-inch quick fire guns. They are so placed as to afford all-around and overhead protection.

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toad. Three inches in length, with skin like that of a young alligator, it has no mouth, but it is evident it once possessed one, though the aperture is now sealed up. It is recovering its sight and moving about.

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Side Talk by Ruth Cameron

MENTAL BAD GROOMING.
Whenever people talk as they do, it is quite frequent-ly do about the inaccuracy of the newspapers. I always think that the inaccuracy of the newspapers is a people.
Here are three rather interesting examples which have come to my attention within the last few weeks.

First, I was in a certain large city during one of those periods when the influenza was flaring up again. The question came up as to whether it was advisable to go on the electric. "At any rate it isn't so bad as it was in October," I said. "Oh, yes," said one woman who has been absolutely panic-stricken from the first. "I read in the paper to-day that it was worse than it was in October."

I asked to see the paper and this is what I read!
She Read It Through Paule Glasses.
"There are more cases of influenza and pneumonia in B— to-day than at any other time since October when the influenza was at its height." The woman had evidently read that through the distorting glasses of her panic.

Second, The United States income tax was under discussion. Someone said: "I see they are not going to exempt contributions to the Red Cross." A person who is keen on exact information got the paper and read a paragraph to the effect (I have not the clipping at hand) that the large contributions made by corporations to the Red Cross under the impression that they were to be exempted from taxation, were not to be exempted.

She Said I Was Behind The Times.
Once more, I am very fond of a certain author and a neighbor told me that I ought to read his latest book naming a title of which I had never heard. I couldn't see how it could have come out without my knowing about it as I always follow

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Miss Information.

IT'S A GOOD THING THERE WERE NO MRS. MURPHYS IN THE GERMAN ARMY.

By Cowan

