

**SMUGGLERS USE ARMORED CARS ON THE FRENCH BORDER**

Use "Tanks" to Get Goods Across from Belgium—Nightly Battles.

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Paris, Oct. 29.—Desperate smugglers in armoured motor-cars and armed with automatic pistols, rifles, and hand grenades are making the work of the Customs guards on the Franco-Belgian frontier very difficult. These cars are laden with tobacco, spirits, lace, saccharin and other highly dutiable articles which can be obtained cheaply in Belgium and have ready sale in the populous regions in the north of France.

Reorganized since the war, the Customs guards have captured some of the cars, but have not arrested any leading members of the gangs. The smugglers first send scouts on motor-cycles ahead of the expedition. They see if the way is clear, and, if there are no awkward barriers to cross, send back the signal and the motor-cars dash over.

At Baillet the Customs men had a running fight with the crew of one of these cars. The smugglers threw burning cans of petrol into the road behind them to try to stop their pursuers. The frontier guards, however, shot and killed the smugglers on the driving seat. The other members of the gang escaped across the country. The car contained three tons of tobacco.

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**OFFERS ORIGINAL "SERPENT'S TONGUE"**

Sir William Watson Will Auction Manuscript of Poem That Created Furore.

London, England, Oct. 29.—The storm which has raged about "Margot's Memoirs" will get added fuel with the announcement that Sir William Watson is prepared to sell to the highest bidder the original manuscript of his poem "The Woman With The Serpent's Tongue." This poem was published in 1909, and then it was generally assumed that it had been inspired by Mrs. Herbert H. Asquith, then presiding at 10 Downing Street, and Sir William has never denied the report. In a manner to silence effectively persons who connected her with such lines as: "The poisoned words that wildly and fly," "Who slights the worthiest in the land," "Sneers at the just, contends the brave," and "blackens goodness in its grave."

Sir William today refused to discuss the genesis of the poem, but in reply to a telegram addressed to him at his country home at Windermere, where he is staying until Christmas, admitted that the manuscript was for sale to the highest bidder. He said it was written on ordinary copy paper in his own handwriting and that it is in thirty lines, with all the emendations and corrections just as it went to the printer.

Mrs. Asquith's Inspiration  
Irrespective of the author's silence regarding the inspiration of the poem, reports that Mrs. Asquith was this inspiration cannot help but be recalled in the face of the aptness of many of the lines to the present criticism of her husband's memoirs.

The Sunday Times, which published the memoirs serially here, cut out many offensive paragraphs which London has now learned were included in the version as published in America. One of the things seized on was the frank discussion of the physical unpleasantness of having Robert Louis Stevenson at her house when

he was suffering from tuberculosis, and the description of the unpleasant details regarding his manner and his disease. Scots who know Stevenson have been busy all this week writing to the Sunday Times that it was a gross libel of the writer's memory. At the time the poem was first published Mrs. Asquith was both shocking and charming London, with the gaiety of her entertainments in

her official residence and the fight on her part at entertainments elsewhere. There have just been published the gossip letters of one of her men contemporaries in that circle called "The Scots," in which he describes the "first lady in the land" dropping her skirt and dancing in her petticoats a pas seul before a dinner party.

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Coastwise—Stmr Glenholme, 126, Blenkhorn, Spencer Island; stmr Keith Cann, 177, McKinnon, Westport; stmr Empress, 612, McDonald, Digby.

Sailed Yesterday

The C. G. M. M. steamer Canadian Sailed at 1:30 yesterday afternoon for Portland with a cargo of pulpwood.

To Sail Friday

The R. M. S. P. Caraque, which has been unloading sugar at the Atlantic Sugar Refinery wharf, is expected to sail today at noon for Bermuda and the West Indies via Halifax. Wm. Thomson & Co. are the local agents.

**ARMY OF OCCUPATION IS POPULAR BRANCH**

Young Men of United States Anxious to Serve in Germany.

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Washington, Oct. 29.—Recruits for the most popular branch of the American army—the army of occupation—will be accepted again beginning November 1, it was announced today by the War Department. Two hundred men are wanted for duty along the Rhine, of whom 12 must be clerks. Three hundred and ten men who were wanted for this service on October 1 were recruited in less than a week.

"The service in Germany has proved to be so attractive that the ranks there are always filled," said Major General P. G. Harris, adjutant general. Our chief difficulty is that regiments are apt to be over-enlisted before we can stop the recruiting officers from accepting more applicants, and we must send such men to the station for which they were accepted."

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