

LONDON GOSSIP.

LONDON, April 17th, 1919.

PRINCE IN NAVY BLUE.
The Prince of Wales was scarcely recognized when he left London for Portsmouth to go on board the Comander warship Australia with a message from his father to the Australian Navy. He has been in khaki for so long that he looked very different in the blue of the Senior Service. It is often forgotten that he, like Prince Albert, now attached to the Royal Air Force, is still a naval officer, and his name appears in the familiar blue-covered Navy List, although without any number to indicate his ship. The Prince of Wales is a Lieutenant with six years' seniority, and should shortly add to his two gold rings the thinner one of a Lieutenant-Commander.

DISTRIBUTION OF WAR MEDALS.

A story is being told of a color-sergeant who has just received notification of the award of the Meritorious Medal for his services in the Afghan War of 1878, and the hope is expressed that the distribution of the medals awarded for the recent war in former days, the lack of promptness was due to the disinclination of the high military authorities to move in the matter, the medal for the Peninsular War of 1808-14 not being ordered to be fully issued until 1847. Any such delay in the present instance is impossible, but there is certain to be a long postponement of the distribution of the Allied medal, which is to be jointly issued by all the Allied Powers. It is understood that a design for this has been approved, but it is a far cry to it being struck and made generally available. There is an abundant scope for fertility as well as dignity of artistic design in regard to a medal issued under such auspices; but one would hesitate to commit oneself in advance to a belief that full use will be made of the opportunity, as modern medals, especially

when struck by the million for the million, are apt to disappoint.

HIGH STAKES ON THE TURF.

Our wealthy young men are betting on the scale of their grandfathers, not on the more moderate scale of the late Victorians. A young nobleman with an American wife, had £8,000 on a horse at the Lincoln races, and he has many imitators. Several bookmakers on the rails between Fatter-sall's ring and the members' enclosure were dictating credit bets, quoting their clients' names, to their clerks as fast as if they were outside bookmakers with numbered tickets. Among the ready-money men Bank of England notes seemed as plentiful as Treasury notes. In the days of the Kaffir boom of 1895 a limited number of men were rolling in money and gambled heavily on the turf as well as on the Stock Exchange. But now there are twice as many people who put their £50 or £100 on a race as there was then—and nobody seems to complain now about a bad settling. The working men who used to bet two shillings now put ten shillings or a pound or more on their fancies. What is called the "Silver Ring" makes comparatively few silver wagers. There is a shortage of horses, and breeders are about to get wonderful prices. A sporting price is believed to have laid out £250,000 in racing apprenticeships, blood stock, and property near Newmarket with a view to sport, pleasure and profit.

REVIVAL OF THE NAVAL AND MILITARY TOURNAMENT.

The Royal Naval and Military Tournament, which was so popular in pre-war days, is to be revived, and will be held this year at Olympia, London, from June 28 to July 18. A feature of the tournament this year will be that, in accordance with the importance which the Air Force has attained in our fighting services, it will be added to the title and contribute largely to the interest of the show. Never in its history will Olympia have

housed such an exhibition as this year's tournament promises to be. The soldiers who take part in it will belong to the newer Army direct from France and with the prestige of victory still clinging about them. It is interesting to recall that the gallant men of the British Expeditionary force, who delighted record crowds at the display of 1914, were within a few weeks of its close standing in the gateway to Paris and earning immortal fame. The Navy, too, will bring to Olympia something of the renown which it has earned during the war as the greatest support and guarantee of the Allied cause. Visitors to the tournament will see demonstrations of the method of attack in France. An attempt will be made, as far as possible, to convey an idea of a section of the great line in operation.

THE COMING SEASON.

Tetrastini is to return to London at the end of May. A Russian ballet season is about to replace revue at the Alhambra, Leicester Square. The programme of the opera season is already being announced, and although the Olympia Horse Show is abandoned so far as this year is concerned, yet Richmond Horse Show, about as important a Society affair, will be held in June. So it will be seen that we have something very like a season, even although people shrink from calling it so. Dancing is as much the vogue as ever, and the signing of the peace preliminaries will give opportunity for balls bigger and more lavish in dress and decorations than any that have been seen yet in London. The river is to be very popular, with real rowing again at Henley. All the house-holders are let already; indeed, for people with youth, gaiety, and means, the summer of 1919 will be more full of amusement than that of 1914 was. Older people do not rebuke the jollity; rather they join in it if the youngsters will let them. After all, we too have cause for joyousness. I heard a policeman in the street the other day put it very well. "What 'd'you see there?" Prussian officers? No; well, then, what have you got to grumble about?"

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

Many of those things which the rigours of war condemned as the trumpery luxuries of a pampered civilization are once again, boldly proclaiming the weaknesses of mankind. The sugar cube made its reappearance in the restaurants a week or two ago, but the demobilisation of the cream bun was delayed until last week. That the cream bun should have returned at this particular moment is a great consolation to the jam tart lover, who recently experienced the joy of welcoming his favorite dainty only to have it snatched from his grasp by a heartier stouter bureaucracy. But it is not only the pastry eater who last week found life in the London teashop endurable. It is rumoured that in the smoking rooms of several of these haunts boxes of matches were displayed upon the tables once more for the free use of smokers.

THE FASHIONABLE JUMPER.

The jumper is going to enjoy a tremendous vogue this year, and the signs are that it will easily oust the sports coat from the supremacy which that garment has held for women's seaside, holiday and general sports wear. Remarkable business is being done by the manufacturers and wholesale houses in catering for the demand from the drapers, who are placing orders with a freedom which is very refreshing in view of the cautious buying attitude they still maintain in respect to most goods. The rage is all for two-colour effects with the collar, cuffs, sash, pocket, edges, and border in a contrasting shade to the body of the garment. Among the most attractive and fashionable colour combinations are lemon and sage, terra cotta and grey, jade and putty, covert and emerald, parma and grey, and navy and champagne, though there are numerous other pleasing effects. The inevitable white and black, and white and navy designs remain good favourites, whilst another jumper feature that is popular is the striped border. At the moment wool jumpers are chiefly in demand, but with the arrival of warm weather the real and artificial silk goods will come more into prominence.

PICTURES OF THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

For all the interviews in Paris with Sir William Orpen and Augustus John and the lively descriptions of their personalities and work published in the French and English press, the mystery still continues as to who commissioned the pictures of the Peace Conference on which they are engaged and what will be their destination. I hear now that when preparations were made for these distinguished artists—there could certainly be no better choice—the matter was left open as to the ultimate arrangement about the pictures. The position now is, I believe, that the National Gallery—or rather its modern wing, the Tate Gallery—and the National Portrait Gallery will have the option of purchasing the pictures at a price which, in the circumstances, is very moderate. This does not pro-

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Death of Columbus.

On May 20, 1506, Christopher Columbus, the celebrated discoverer of America, died at Valladolid, in Spain, 100 miles north of Madrid, his capital. He was born about A.D. 1436 at Genoa, a seaport town at the north-west corner of the peninsula of Italy, and, being sent to study at its University in Padua, showed a strong desire for geographical knowledge, and to obtain such by going to sea. He believed that by sailing westward he could reach Cathay, as China was then called by Europeans, though in the Hebrew original Old Testament, and in the English version of it, it is mentioned as *Sinim*, which is almost exactly its native name (*Isaiiah xlix*). But after studying all the maps and charts that he could procure he made occasional short voyages, and was informed by seamen that there were unknown lands separated from Europe by the Atlantic Ocean. After vainly seeking aid from Genoa, Portugal, and England, he at length obtained introduction first to Ferdinand the fifth, King of Aragon, and Isabelle, Sovereign Queen of Castile, by the marriage of which two people Spain became united, as it has continued. They together were induced to equip and man for Columbus three vessels, agreeing that he should have a tenth of all profits, and be Viceroy of the land that he expected to discover. Having sailed on August 2, 1492, on October 12 that year he landed, and bent his knees in grateful worship on San Salvador, one of the Bahamas, the northernmost group of what are called the West Indies, because the first European discoverers of that continent and its islands supposed that they had found what they were seeking, a shorter and straight way to India. Columbus discovered also the great island of Cuba, and the one named St. Domingo, on which last he built a fort. Returning to Spain he presented to its King and Queen gold and other valuables, which he had found, and was therefore soon supplied with followers for a second voyage; but it was not till his third and last, in 1498, that he saw and reached the mainland of what was named America, from Amerigo Vesputi, who followed his example in A.D. 1499. But it was Columbus who thus opened the way for civilization and Christianity into every part of that vast continent, where his name is recalled even on its west coast by Colombia, in South America, and British Columbia in Canada, far away towards the north.

Fashions and Fads.

A charming frock of pink musoline edged its frounces with pink ostrich feathers.
Many of the latest waistcoats are almost blouses, and the coat with them is never removed.
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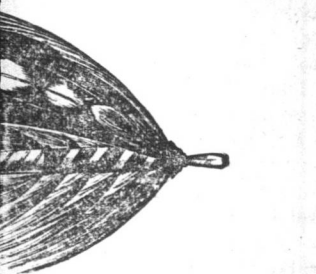
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