







IS FRANCE A TOOL OF RUSSIA?

THE CEASER'S COOL ANSWER TO CARNOT'S MESSAGE

Asquith's Speech the Political Sensation of England—Austrian Politics dominated by the Universal suffrage Bill—Italy in three fragments—Italy's Visit of the British Squadron to Italy Pleasing to Germany.

New York, Oct. 21.—G. W. Smalley cables to The Tribune as follows: LONDON, Oct. 21.—If there are any one event which both interests and concerns all Europe more than any other of the last few days it is the reception of Admiral Avellan and his officers by the people of Paris and the rulers of France.

The telegrams which pour in day by day from Paris like the narrative of the early voyagers in the Pacific from the natives of the South Sea Islands received as gods.

It is possible to go beyond that. It is quite true that the Russian admiral and other Russian officers now actually present in Paris seem to share in no slight degree the delirium of the people of Paris. Obeying the Apollo Paul they rejoice with them that weep. The latter are a numerous company. They return very naturally the kisses bestowed on them by men and women.

More even than this are the responsive utterances of the Russian press. The Russian journalists has grasped the hand his French colleague and out to him. He dared not unless he had been allowed and the permission of the press censor in Russia, and this signifies a question of foreign as of domestic policy.

But after all Russia is the czar and the czar is Russia, and what is the telegraph of the ruler when his subjects worship as divine? Beyond question and in spite of his 30 guns to the French flag in the harbor of Copenhagen an attitude of reserve.

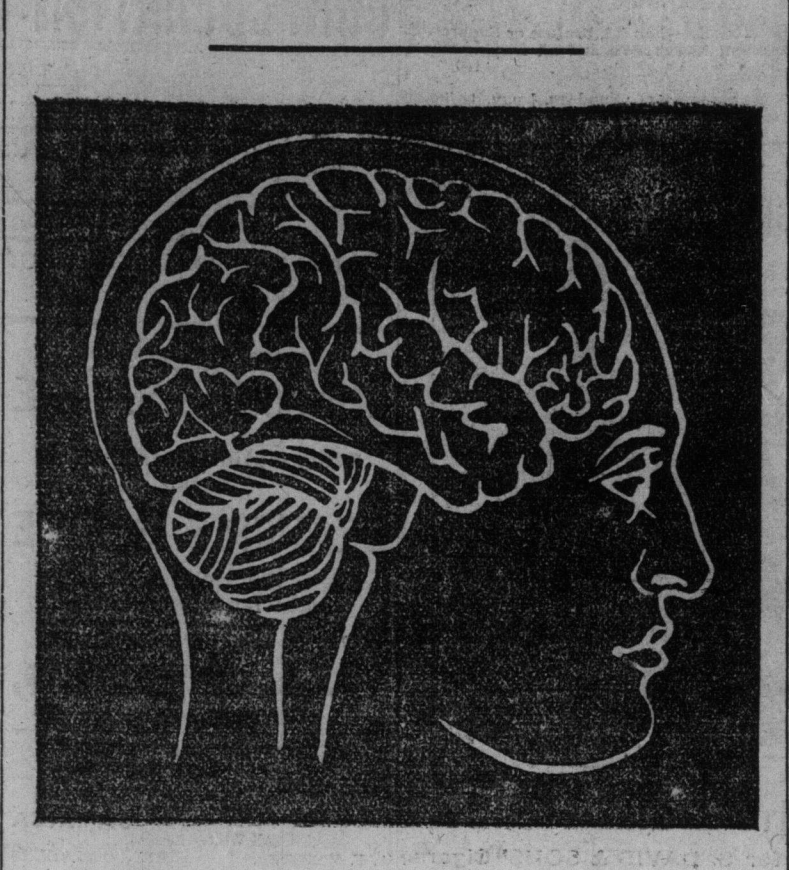
President Carnot, whose usual coolness seems to have deserted him, telegraphed to the czar that he desired "heartily to address to your majesty all my thanks and to tell you the sincere joy I feel at this great proof of the profound sympathy uniting Russia and France."

It is not meant to be unkind. It is meant to be civil, which is the more painful. It means that the czar retains his freedom of thought and freedom of action. He is not in the same danger. The tactics of mystification are to him so alien that even when he offers the hand of another who does not secure his support.

France and Russia united may or may not be strong enough for defence. They certainly are not strong enough at present for attack while Germany, Austria and Italy are bound together in a defensive military league.

Italy financially embarrassed. Italy is in such dire financial straits that her Prime Minister has to take the meeting out of his confidence. The world hardly returns it, nor is there in all Europe a financier who can say how Italy is to keep up her military strength, even to its present minimum, and make two ends meet.

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