## Whether Gr. Britain Will Fight Or Not Will Be Known Today; Canada To Stand By Empire

ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE TODAY BY PREMIER ASQUITH IN COMMONS; SIIENT AS TO NATURE OF DECISION

Another Cabinet Council scheduled for this Morning - Wa Element said to be in Majority - Reported Churchil Great Powers Engaged in Actual Warfare, yet Two of them, Germany and France, as far as known in England, have Not Declared War.

Diplomatic Relations between France and Germany not Suspended Yet? - Neither Willing to be first to Declare War, each Trying to Shift Onus on the other.
London, Aug. 2.-Four great powers of Europe, Austria-Hungary, Russia, France and Germany, are now engaged in actual wartare, but the extraordinary position obtains
that two of them, Germany and France, have not only declared war against each other, as that two of them, Germany and France, have not only deciared war aganst each onner, as (that Germany's ultimatum to France has either been ignored oo rejeicted.

The explanation would appear to be that Germany and franee are each seeking to Hrow upon the other the onus of beginning the war. In fatt, while the nations of Europe are Hlying at each other's throats, they are vieing with each other in protesting their desire to
maintain peace, and they repudiafe the responsibility for plunging the whole continent into maintain peace, and they repuiaie the responsidiy
bloodshed
In In this curious situation France, according to Brritis opinion, has he strongest ustification. She eertainly was the last to motilize and seens,
cautions to avorid frontier collisions. On the other hand, Germany, in addition to invading French terititry without making a for nal declaration of war, has violated the neutraity of

 confilict to protect Belgian and Dutch neutrality, and on this point Premier Asquith's official
announcement in parliament is awaited with intense anxiety, the British pubblic being no announcement in pariiament is awaited with intense anxiety, the Britiss pubic seing no
longer under any illusions as to the gravivy of the orisis, which transends anything in their experience. The least observant man in London today could not tail to be impressed with the fact
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tion's history This Sunday has been a day of the greatest suspense England has known for a century. For hours the cabinet council) while the whole country believed it to be wresting with
the question with whether Great Britain should take up arms in support of her allies of the The Puestion with whether Great Britain should take up arms in support of her allies of the
Triple No statement was made officially concerning the cabinit's deliberations, exceppt that Coabinet would hold another meeting in the morning.
 with the policy of remaining outiside the contititet, that shouldo ie her poilicy. The neval re-
 waters, exceept by military. craft. these measures are purely defernsive. Great Britain would feel obliged to take them with a great war raging close to hers shores, even If there was no cuestion of her par Cilipailin ensors took charge of all the cable offices in the Kingdom tonight. All code mes. sages were prohibited, even to Australia. Telephonic communication with the oontinent
was entirely stoped. The Brussels telephone, which was the last ine working, is silent tonign. London maintained her calm to the last moment toninht. A great crowd assembled around the government offices at Whitehall awaiting the decision of the cabient as to whethe made the crowd melted away, only a few groups remaining to discusss whether the cabinet, as some put it, "haad decicied to funk or fight.
Nith will annoumnee Great Britain's poosition in in the House of Commons tor tomorrow, Premier As quith wiil announce Great Briainst posetinn will be hel
not a word was allowed to lo leak out tof the cabiint party in the cabinet is in the ascendancy, bui 1 was said that Viscount Morrey, Lord President of the Councili, and Viscount Haldane, Lond Admiralty, threatened to toesign it the government diod not stand by by its unuritten agreement It is known that the Lancastire Liberals are putting strong pressure on the gov ernment to keep our or the contilot at all costs, and ditis said that Premier Aspuith is somewhat influenced by this. But the average Englishman is saying tonight that the government
has no alternative, after the neutraility of Luxemburg has been disregarded by Germany and


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MAIMTAW rMoInr'c IMTEمDIT otawa nded out from the Premier's office this afternoon: om the Governor General to the Colonial Secretary:
Ottawa, Aug. 1,1914 .
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ply to Kaiser Not Considered Satisfactory.

King George Continues His Efforts to Heal Breach, But Little Short of Diplomatic Miracle Can Avert Catastrophe Now.
London, August 1-An unconfirmed report says that
France will officially declare war against Germany tomorrow. France will officially declare war against Germany tomorrow.
Negotiations are still proceeding between the European powers, according to the Exchange Telegraph Compary. 'It
states that after the cabinet council today, sir Edward Grey
conterred with the Russian, Austrian Italian, German and conferred with the Russian, Austrian, Italian, German and
Turkish ambassadors but no new developments occurred.
Members of the Austrian embassy expect to leave LonTon within twenty-four hours.
The British Press Association issued the following statement this afternoon:
"France's reply to the German ultimatum has been de-
liverd but its terms are unknown in London. It is learned on
lis. livered but its terms are unknown in London. It is learned on
good authority that the reply is not satisfactory to Germany.
Among high French officials in London, a Franco-German war good authority that the re
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is considered inevitable."
London, Aug. 1. - Russia and Germany have broken.
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Reports from a number of points agree that the diplomatic } \\ & \text { relations were severed at noon today. It is feared that the } \\ & \text { genter }\end{aligned}$ relations were severed at noon today. It is feared that the
general crash which will change the map of Europe, is about
to begin. There is practically no hope of peace. Russians
Re
 manded that mobilization cease. At the same e time, France
refused to tell Germany what her intentions were in the even of war between Germany and Russia.
The tension here in England increases hourly. The mobilization orders are prepared
King George continues his efforts to force a resumption oo
neg King George continues his eriorts to force a resumption o
negotiations, but even he is reported to have ost hope.
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and St. Petersburg must inevitably be followed, if they hav
not heen and St. Petersburg must inevitably be followed, if they have
not been already, by the breaking off of the relations between
Berlin and Paris. Berlin and Paris. There soubt of France's intention of coming to the
aid of her ally, Russia. The German and French soldiers already confront eac
other on the rontier, and it is accepted, that the flisst clas
will likely will likely be between the Germans and French.
A despatch received here says that the Russian amba
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Berlin. August 1. .All German shipping has been ordered
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sent word to German ship officers that their craft must seek evy.
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 Empire, as they marched to the military offices, and hundreds
of priests, who were in the crowd that lined the way, blessed
the soldiers. The sol Thevernment today issued a new appeal to the peo-
ple to calm thememsives. The statement lauded the peopple for
their wonderful show of patriotic enthusiasm, but declared that
 their desire for war was concerned.
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Washington, D. C., August 1.-Japan and the United
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the world from the catastrophe which now threatens it, ar-
cording to Were started by the the refticial of circles today. Japanese ambassed reports
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count Chinda, to Washington and the fact that he is now behe situation. The United' States and Japan are the two most oowerfull nations in the world, neutral in the present conflict,
and their influence would go far towards tipping the scales one and their influence would go far towards tipping the scales one
way or another in the crisis. THE INUSTTMIIL Woill of
 faces a crisis today because of the determination of at least
$1,000,000$ foreign born workers, to lay down their tools and into a general war. look to the United States for food, clothing and other neces-
saries, because the industrial situation in Europe would become paralyzed. Such a contingency would call for over
time operation by every mill and factory in this country, but

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New York, August 1.-The World's shipping was practicaly harted today by restrictive orders to the great ocean
transportation liners, not a propellor controlled by the big German lines, moved except to race to cover. The sea rangers
of the British lines were ordered to refuse all bookings to arts on the cortinent of Europe, althhough the service to Engis angirres for London and Liverpool. The only boat that sailed the Red Star Line fingers for the continent was the Zealand
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