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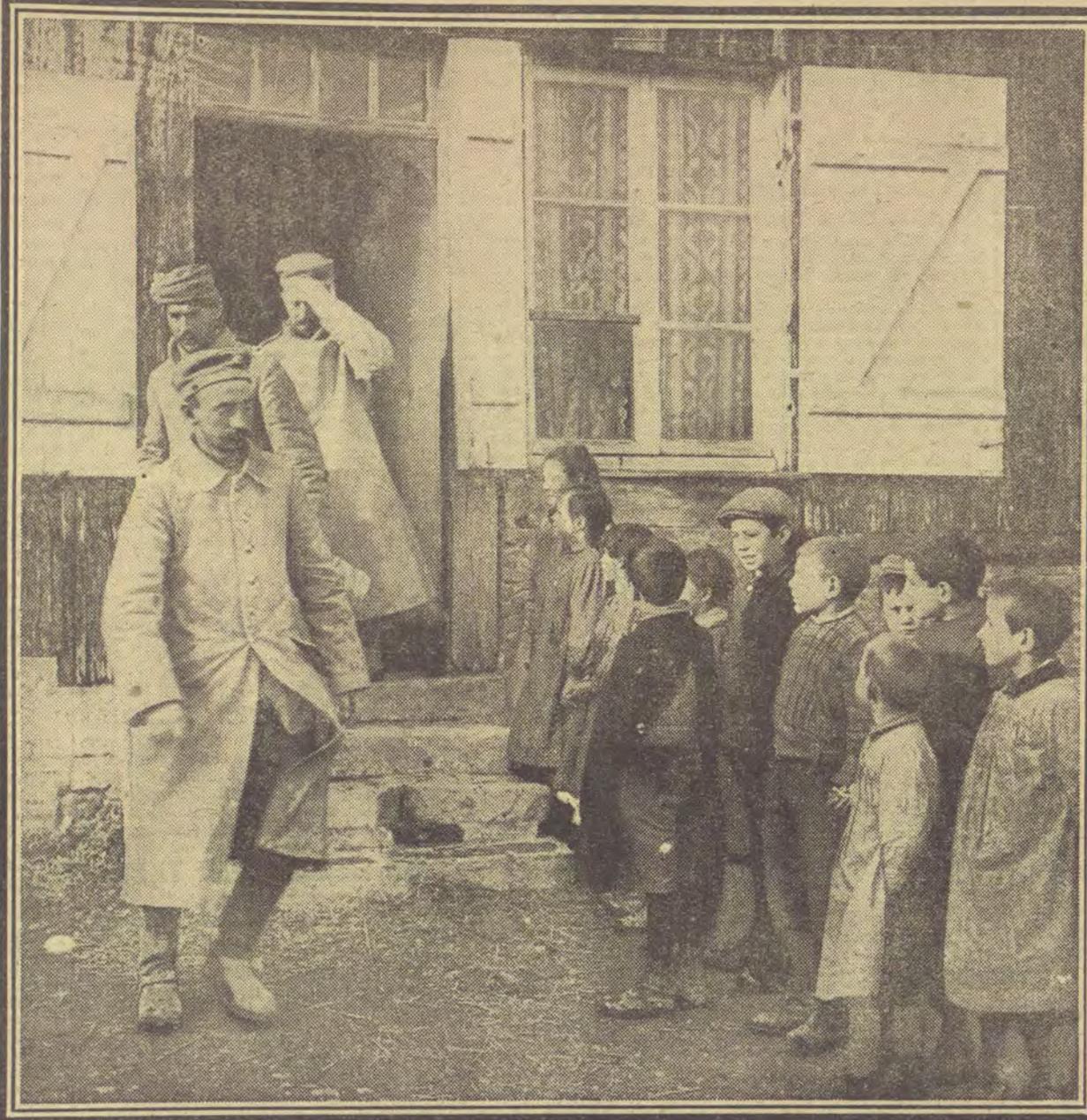
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ONE HALFPENNY.

## GERMANY'S FORLORN HOPE AT VERDUN: THE FRENCH TOLL OF CAPTURED HUNS.



A typical son of the Fatherland.



A spectacled Hun of gentle mien.



They bear traces of a " strafing."

The French village children look with curious eyes on the captive Huns as one by one they leave the quarters of the military examining officer.



Some of the more brutal types.



This forlorn, unkempt crew of Huns possess no terrors for the French children now.



A column of German prisoners of war being marched off to camp.

These are the first official photographs issued by the French War Office of the magnificent success of the French stand at Verdun. They show some of the thousands of German prisoners who have been captured during the desperate attacks upon the French frontier fortress. The captives personify in their woebegone appearance the forlorn nature of onslaughts which have failed so far to break the Allies' line, and which have reduced German hopes of victory to despair.—(Photos exclusive to the Daily Sketch.)



# FOLKESTONE-DIEPPE STEAMER SUSSEX TORPEDOED.

## CHANNEL STEAMER TORPEDOED IN MID-SEA.

Carrying 386 Passengers, Including Women And Children, And A Crew Of 50.

ALL ON BOARD THE SUSSEX ASSUMED TO BE SAFE; RUSH OF VESSELS TO ASSISTANCE OF MAIMED STEAMER.

### Dominion Liner Englishman Reported Sunk.

It was reported at Folkestone Harbour last evening that the s.s. Sussex, running on the Folkestone-Dieppe route, was torpedoed yesterday afternoon off Beachy Head.

According to the L.B.S.C. Railway Company the mishap took place off Dieppe.

She was carrying 386 passengers, a few of whom were English people, and a crew of about 50.

There were women and children among the passengers, but the proportion is not certain.

The L.B.S.C. Railway Company says that shortly before midnight a message from Dieppe said the Sussex was still afloat at 9.30, and it was assumed that all passengers had been saved. The Company merely states that the vessel "met with a mishap," but makes no statement as to the cause of the mishap.

Lloyd's had announced at an earlier hour that the Sussex was believed to have been sunk.

The Sussex was commanded by Captain Mouffet.

The members of the crew were mostly French.

### COMPANY'S STATEMENT.

We were authorised last evening by the Brighton Company to make the following statement:—

We are advised that the s.s. Sussex, under a French flag, on the Folkestone-Dieppe service, met with a mishap somewhere off Dieppe on her passage to-day, but at 7 o'clock to-night she was still afloat. Vessels in Dieppe Harbour have gone to her assistance.

There were 386 passengers on board, and a crew of about 50; but it is impossible to give any further information at present, nor is a list of passengers yet available.

### MANY U-BOATS OUT.

"Large Number Of Submarines Near British Coast."

The Copenhagen *Politiken* learns from Bergen that captains arriving there report having seen a large number of German submarines in the North Sea near the British coast.

Two Norwegian steamers which arrived at Liverpool had been pursued by a submarine but escaped.

The captains say that these German submarines are very large, of new construction, and travel very fast.—Exchange, from Copenhagen.

### NEUTRALS TORPEDOED.

The British steamer Kelvinbank and the Norwegian steamer Konig were torpedoed in the Channel without warning on the night of March 22. The crews were saved, with the exception of the chief officer of the British steamer.—Reuter, from Havre.

The Norwegian steamer Activ, on arrival at Haugesund, reported that when near the Dogger Bank she sighted a lifeboat belonging to the Norwegian steamer Blaaklokken, in which were four seamen in a famished condition. The Blaaklokken is supposed to have been torpedoed.—Exchange from Copenhagen.

### END OF EGYPTIAN CAMPAIGN.

General Maxwell Returns And Is Succeeded By General Murray.

From The War Office.

Friday.

The military position in Egypt being satisfactory owing to the failure of the attempts by the Turks on the west frontier, a reorganisation of the forces in that country has been effected, and General Sir A. Murray has assumed the sole command there.

General Sir J. G. Maxwell left for England

## RUSSIANS ADVANCING IN THE DVINSK REGION.

Desperate Bayonet Fighting Results In Forcing Of Enemy's Lines.

GERMANS DRIVEN FROM STRONG POSITIONS IN WOODS.

Russian Official News.

PETROGRAD, Friday Night.

In the region of Friedrichstadt (south-east of Riga) reconnoitring parties of ours who had crossed the Dvina captured an enemy machine-gun.

In the Jacobstadt sector (further south-east) the Germans in strong formations launched counter-attacks near Augustinhof, which we successfully repulsed.

North-west of Lake Vargunek our offensive is developing.

In the Dvinsk region our troops are advancing after having repulsed several counter-attacks.

In the region south of Dvinsk the fighting continues.

North of the small town of Vidzy, in the Meschkele-Klipa sector, and north-west of Lake Sekly there was desperate fighting in some places with the bayonet on the night of March 22-23.

In spite of the enemy's heavy fire our troops by a vigorous thrust forced all the enemy's protective lines in the Klipa sector, and a German counter-attack was repulsed.

Our artillery kept under its fire numerous points in the enemy's position, and prevented him from repairing the damage done.

Between Lakes Naroch and Vischnevskoe fighting continues.

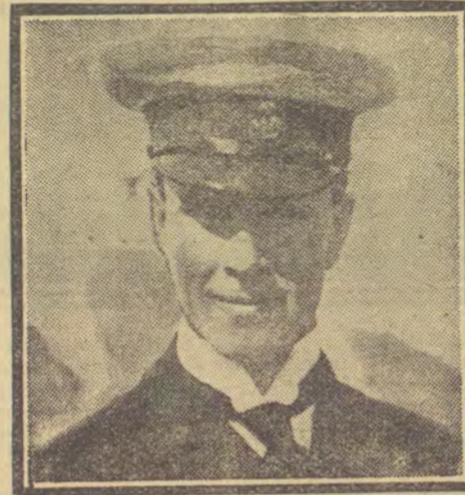
Our troops dislodged the enemy from the woods in the neighbourhood of Bliznik and Mokritza, where they were powerfully organised and thickly protected with barbed wire entanglements.

### 1,436 GERMAN PRISONERS.

According to supplementary information our troops in the course of fighting from Saturday to Tuesday took prisoners, firstly in the region north-west of Postavy two officers and 160 men, all Germans; and secondly, in the Lake Naroch region 13 officers and 1,255 men, also Germans.

In the southern region, as far as the Sylvestre sector and in Galicia, there were lively artillery duels at many points.—Reuter.

### THE MISSING AURORA.



Captain Mackintosh, of the *Aurora*, the vessel working with Sir Ernest Shackleton's Antarctic expedition. The ship has gone adrift. (Full story on Page 2.)

### THE QUEEN AT A COFFEE STALL.

Sells Penny Slices Of Cake Over The Counter To Arsenal Workers.

A picturesque incident marked a visit of inspection paid by the Queen yesterday to Lady Lawrence's canteens for munition workers in Woolwich Arsenal.

After taking tea in the Arsenal and inspecting the food-trolleys laden for their round of the workshops, the Queen drove to the various coffee stalls.

At one of these she left her motor, and, to the delight of the workmen who had gathered in large numbers to cheer her, began to sell penny slices of cake over the coffee stall counter.

The workmen pressed forward eagerly to seize the opportunity of being served by the Queen of England, and the whole stock of the stall was rapidly exhausted.

### GERMANS' HARMLESS MINES.

British Official News.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FRANCE.

Friday, 9.24 p.m.

The enemy exploded mines last night and today near Quincy, and just north of La Bassée canal, doing no damage.

We bombarded hostile trenches to the south of the Comines canal.

## 5 a.m. Edition.

### SMUTS DRIVING THE GERMANS BACK.

#### Further Successes Against The Enemy In East Africa.

### SUBSTANTIAL GAINS.

#### Lord Kitchener Congratulates The British Commander.

From The War Office.

Friday Night.

Telegrams received from Lieut.-General Smuts indicate that the German forces, dislodged from their strong defensive positions on the Lumi river and Kitovo hills (northern frontier of German East Africa) by the operations commenced on March 7, and concluded on March 12, effected their retreat through Kahe to a further series of defensive positions constructed in the thick forest belt which lies along the Ruwu river.

Direct pursuit was rendered difficult by heavy rainfall and the numerous swollen streams, over which the bridges had been destroyed.

On March 18 (Saturday last) forces were pushed south to occupy Kilevo and Unterer Himo, in close contact with the enemy on the Ruwu river.

#### At Close Quarters.

During Sunday there was a good deal of bush fighting in the vicinity of Kahe, the enemy maintaining a stubborn resistance.

On Monday a mounted force occupied Arusha, dislodging an enemy detachment.

During the night of Monday-Tuesday strong bodies of infantry bivouacked in the Ruwu forest in close contact with the German entrenchments.

The enemy attempted a strong night attack, but was driven off with severe losses.

Meantime a strong force of South African mounted troops marched by night from Moshi, and, traversing the thick bush country, reached a point on the Pangani river, five miles south of the Kahe railway station, by daybreak.

The railway station itself was seized and many stores were captured.

#### Germans Badly Beaten.

The railway bridge over the Pangani river had been partially destroyed.

The mounted troops then established themselves on the hills south-south-east of Kahe in contact with the enemy.

This threat to their line of retreat decided the enemy to hold on throughout the entire day on Monday with a view to effecting a further retirement under cover of darkness.

Reinforcements, indeed, reached him from the south by the railway during operations.

Thus we were enabled to inflict heavy losses, which would not have been possible had the Germans been free to abandon their positions earlier.

As it was they maintained an obstinate resistance.

#### One Of Koenigsberg's Guns Captured.

During the night of Tuesday-Wednesday, however, the entire Ruwu line was evacuated, and the enemy retired south along the Tanga railway, leaving a 4.1-inch gun, portion of the armament of the Koenigsberg, in our hands.

Operations are being continued.

The following telegram has been dispatched to General Smuts:—

The Secretary of State for War wishes to congratulate you and all ranks under your command on your brilliant success, and on the dash and energy with which your operations have been conducted in a country with the difficulties of which he is acquainted from personal experience.

### GERMAN WARSHIPS OUT.

"Seen Moving Eastwards Accompanied By A Zeppelin."

AMSTERDAM, Friday.

A telegram from Ameland (Frisian Islands) states that some 15 German torpedo-boats, accompanied by a Zeppelin, were seen late last night moving eastward.—Reuter.

### MORE BANNED IMPORTS.

The Board of Trade announces that as from March 30 the importation of the following goods will be prohibited except under licence:—

Baskets and basket ware (except baskets and basket ware of bamboo);

Cement;

Chinaware, earthenware, and pottery (not including Cloisonne wares);

Cotton yarn, cotton piece goods and cotton manufactures (except hosiery and lace);

Cutlery;

Fatty acids;

Furniture, manufactured joinery and other wood manufactures (except lacquered wares);

Hardware and hollow-ware;

Oilcloth;

Soap;

Toys, games, and playing cards;

Wood and timber—beech, birch, elm, and oak;

Woolen and worsted manufactures (except yarns).

**REAL PLUCK.**



Rejected by the recruiting officer because he was knock-kneed, Robert Thurston, a Newcastle lad, has had both his legs broken and reset. He hopes to be a soldier when he leaves hospital.

**HER ANXIETY.**



Mrs. Norman Kennedy has just presented her husband, Major Kennedy, of the 1st Ayrshire Yeomanry, with a daughter.—(Val L'Estrange.)



Lady Marjorie Hanly, whose husband, Captain Hanly, of the Inniskillings, is a prisoner of war in Germany. She is a daughter of Lord Denbigh, and was only married last year.—(Hoppé.)

"I get on best with this."

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**TO-DAY'S BRIDE,**



Miss Milne-Thomson, only daughter of Lieut.-Col. Milne-Thomson, is marrying Lieut. Troup, R.N., to-day.—(Russell.)

**THE CAPTAIN AND HIS BRIDE.**



Capt. A. L. de C. Stretton, of the 1st South Lancashire Regiment, leaving St. Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday, with his bride, Miss Mary Shaw. The bride's father was a well-known Derbyshire man.

**THEIR NEW POSITIONS**



C. W. R. Pantlin, the London Irish Rugby player, has been given a commission in the R.A.



Frank Buckley, Bradford's well-known centre-half back, is now a major of the Footballers' Battalion.



Lady Belper has just given birth to a daughter. Her other two children are boys.—(Val L'Estrange.)

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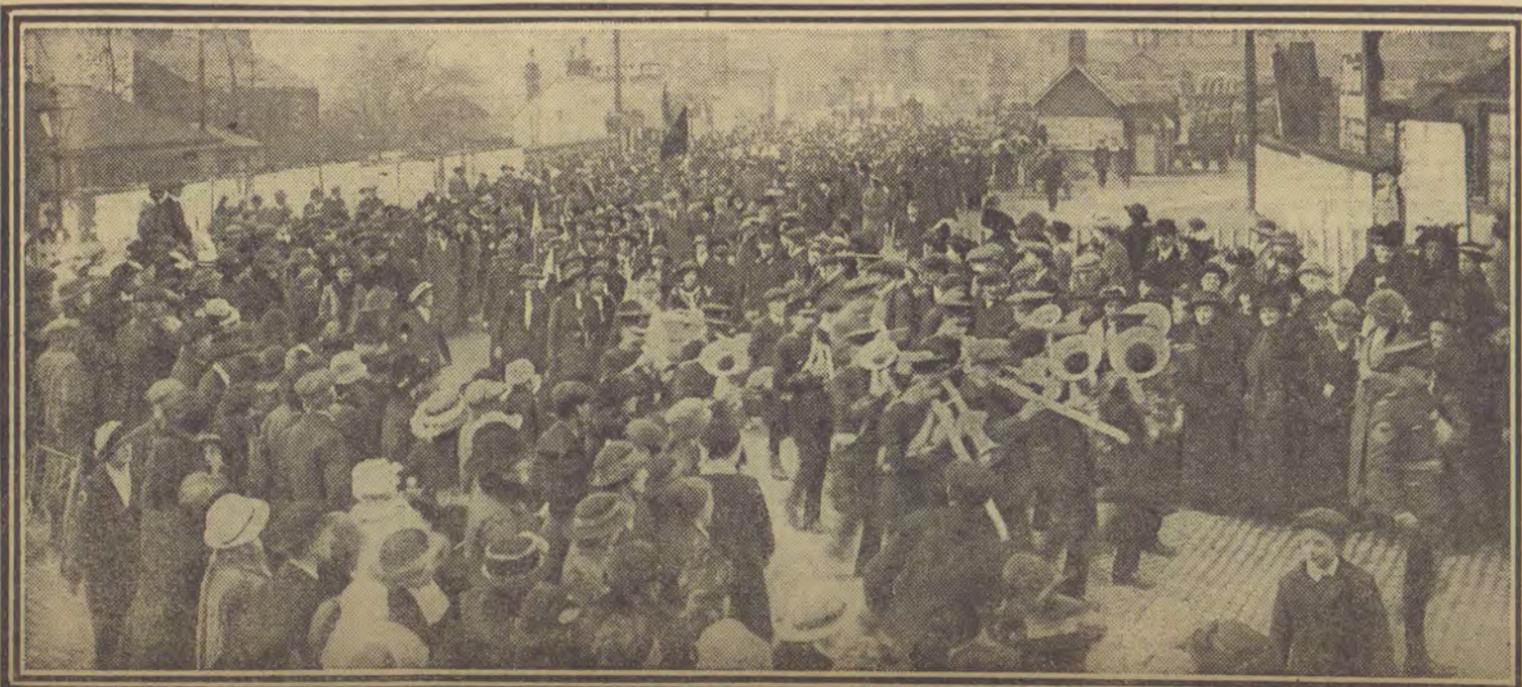
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**FOR VALOUR!**

WHENEVER the Commons debate the questions of Army pensions I feel muddled. There are the Chelsea Commissioners granting pensions at a flat rate, and then there is a committee of the Patriotic Fund supplementing it. The House of Commons seems to have some control over this committee, but not much. Yet the House votes a million pounds to the committee for pension purposes. It all seems very silly. Why can't the Chelsea Commissioners, or whichever other Government body is deputed to grant pensions, have full control, and give right away to widows, other dependants and disabled men the amount which is considered just and generous? What has this half-irresponsible committee to do with it?

THE Patriotic Fund has not a particularly good record. Instituted originally to relieve the distress which followed the Crimean War, it has proved a good thing to a whole horde of officials, and it appears that the vice-chairman—Mr. Cyril Jackson—is now in receipt of a salary of £1,750 per annum. When we are trying to economise in money and labour it is wickedly absurd that there should be two pension authorities and two prosperous salary lists.

IT is equally absurd that the final amount of the pensions granted to disabled men and the dependants of men killed in service should depend upon the caprice of a half-private, half-public institution of peculiar antecedents! Either the pensions granted directly by the State are adequate or they are not, and if they are not it is our business to make them so. Let the Government acquire the Patriotic Fund, scrap all its officials, and award pensions proper to the needs and deserts of its widows, orphans and disabled soldiers.

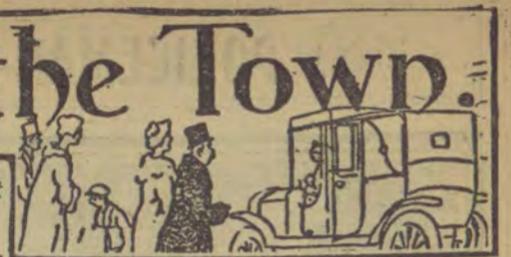
IT is acknowledged that the million pounds voted to the committee of the Patriotic Fund will not go far, and, considering that the war costs five times as much every day, the amount certainly seems paltry. But the deuce of it is that whatever sum you vote a large part of it will be swallowed up in salaries for officials, and we have little guarantee that the remainder of the money will be dispensed in the way that Parliament and the people of this country would wish. Therefore let us abolish the Patriotic Fund! THE scheme put forward by Mr. Hayes Fisher, however, is not altogether unsatisfactory. For example, the proposal that the children of men killed or disabled in the war shall receive the education their fathers would otherwise have given them is altogether admirable. Would that all our treatment of soldiers and their dependants were on the same footing!

THE raising of the maximum to £2 is wise, but I do not approve of the suggestion that the grant of the Chelsea Commissioners should be supplemented in such a manner that pensioners shall receive two-thirds of the pre-war income—with £2 as the limit. It would not be decent to offer a pension of less than thirty shillings. Then why not have a flat rate of £2 for all dependants and totally disabled men, with the proviso already mentioned as to the education of children? Have not men who have died or been wounded for their country deserved well enough for that? Some of you may know what it means to live on a pound, even on thirty shillings, a week. Is £2 a week too great a reward for valour? Shall it be said that these men gave up everything, that we in return haggled with them or with their widows and orphans over shillings and pence? That were a mean part for a great nation to play.

IT may be urged that this will entail a big expense. That is very true. But it is a debt we are paying—a debt of honour. If we think for a moment what those men will have been through, if we think what we owe to them, and how drab and desolate will be the remainder of their lives, we shall not be inclined to haggle over the expense. Moreover, many of these men will be quite fit physically to marry, and, if we treat them with some generosity, a large number of women who would otherwise die childless will find a home and a husband.



**Echoes of the Town.**



The King And His Guests—Baronet Does Office Boy's Work—Whips Smile Again.

**The Royal Entertainment.**

"BUCKINGHAM PALACE!" I told the taxi man on Thursday afternoon. "Come 'orf it!" was the reply, in accordance with the courtly manners of the profession. "Electrician's entrance," I persisted. "That's better," with a don't-forget-your-place expression, and off we went for the "Gotterdammerung," the last day of the Royal Variety Trilogy. Great excitement at the Royal Mews, and intense, arctic cold.

**The Choir-Boys.**

THURSDAY'S PROGRAMME was excellent in every way except for the well-meaning but interminable proceedings of Dr. Walford Davies and his choir-boys. Their vocal tone is excellent, but better adapted, in such large doses, for a cathedral than a riding school full of Tommies. Their first appearance gave the proceedings a depressing start, and their second a bad anti-climax. But the learned doctor enjoyed himself vastly.

**George Graves And Harry Tate.**

THE REAL entertainment was provided by George Graves (back in town after a short and damp holiday at Newquay), who gave a scene from the pantomime and cheered everyone up; Harry Tate, who "motored"; Van Hoven, whose blocks of ice didn't make the place any warmer; Bobby Hale, and other clever and famous folk. The Tommies must have had a great time, although some of them seemed to be about eight miles from the stage.

**Everybody Pleased.**

THE OBVIOUS PLEASURE which everyone derived from this fine idea must have given great satisfaction to the Royal host. His Majesty, who was in khaki, missed nothing, laughed unrestrainedly most of the time, and puffed contentedly at a cigarette in a long holder. The Queen and Queen Alexandra were wisely well befurred, and Prince Albert (a very handsome youth) was busy with a big round box of chocolates, which he passed from time to time along the row of Royal relations.

**Dudley Ward.**

DUDLEY WARD is on the war(d)path. The member for Southampton, who is engaged in anti-aircraft duties on the Kent coast, is shortly to reply in defence of his colleagues to Joynson-Hicks's charges that the sounding of the alarm was unduly delayed, and that there were other deficiencies in connection with last Sunday's raid Margate way. Dudley Ward is a cousin of Lord Esher and a successful young man. For three years he was



Treasurer of the Household, he is a clever barrister, he rowed in the Cambridge boat, and is altogether a fine sportsman. His speech is sure to be vigorous and interesting, although I don't think he has much of a case.

**The Curzon Peerages.**

WITH Lord Scarsdale a whole race of men passes away, for he was much more the country gentleman of the 18th century than a peer of the 20th. England—and indeed Derbyshire—was quite good enough for him. He had not been out of the country for half a century and cared nothing at all for London. Lord Curzon keeps his present style on succession, but his Viscounty of Scarsdale was devised, failing male heirs, to his father and issue, so that the heir presumptive to that title, as well as to his father's barony, is his younger brother Alfred. The Ravensdale barony goes to his daughter, Lady Mary, who was 20 in January.

**German Art Tumbles.**

IT ISN'T only the German mark that is slumping violently, but the values of her acknowledged masters in painting. There was a sale recently in New York, where works by French artists like Corot, Degas and Monet fetched enhanced figures, but when it came to the turn of the disciples of "Kultur," a picture by Manzel, which was bought a few years ago for £800, only drew a bid of £165, and another by Lombach, worth £2,000 not long ago, sold for only £500 odd.

**The Lonely Civilian.**

THE LONELY SOLDIER craze is extending itself. Girls are now writing from home to lonely prisoners in Ruhleben. The poor chaps need a cheerful letter now and then, by all accounts, and some of them are getting it.

**The Paris Conferences.**

AS CONFERENCES are in the air, it may be as well to clear up what seems to be a common confusion in people's minds. There are to be two conferences. The first, at which Mr. Asquith will be our chief representative, is that of the military and political authorities. The second, at which Mr. Runciman will represent us, is the economic conference.

**A Story Of 1878.**

PEOPLE ARE comparing next week's conference with that which met at Berlin in 1878, for there has been no such powwow since. But this time there will be no such journalistic feats as that of the correspondent who had a secret agreement with one who was in touch with a plenipotentiary. He put in the lining of his hat a summary of the events of the day, dined at the same restaurant as the correspondent and exchanged hats. But one day, to their horror, another diner began to walk out with the "loaded" hat by mistake!

**Father And Son.**

A GOOD MANY people will sympathise with Mr. R. C. Lambert, M.P., for it isn't pleasant just now to have a conscientiously objecting son. Mr. Lambert, Jun., appealed before the Hendon Tribunal as a C.O., and was duly marked as a non-combatant. His father, who is obviously made of sterner stuff, was also present, and declared that he would himself have gone long ago had he been young enough, but was convinced that his son's views were honestly held. Mr. Lambert, Sen., is an advanced Radical, a leading light of the Eighty Club, a barrister, and an ardent cyclist.



**Married Man Campaign.**

WELL, the Whips are smiling again, and it is no longer unsafe to mention the word "election." Everybody was surprised by the Harborough figures but really we needn't waste too much sympathy on Mr. Bowles, and some of the features of the "married man campaign" have been, as I have pointed out, rather discreditable. Anyhow, the married men's second call will probably be on the hoardings during the week-end, but there is reason to think that we shall know all about the Government's policy on the point before any married man is actually called to the colours.

**London.**

I KNOW of a Colonial Tommy who arrived in London at Waterloo, and put up for the night at the Union Jack Club, which is just opposite the station. The next day he devoted to seeing the sights of London. He never crossed the river at all, or was aware that there is one to cross. All his impressions of the mightiest city in the world have been gathered from that not very attractive part of it which is south of the Thames.

**No Sense Of Time.**

THERE is a well-known musical conductor whose unpunctuality in keeping appointments is incurable. I ran across him in Leicester-square a few evenings ago. The time was about half-past seven. "Come round to the club for half-an-hour," I said. "I simply can't," he replied. "I've invited some musicians to dine with me at seven, so I can't stay many minutes." He chatted for quite twenty and then toddled off to the tube, for home and dinner.

**The Tragedy—And Comedy—Of It.**

THE young subaltern not yet free of the riding school was clinking his spurs down the street and locking as much as possible like the Nevill of whom Miss Gertie Millar sings. The sergeant saluted him with great punctilio, and then stopped to watch his progress. "And to think," he murmured, "that the only time he isn't allowed to wear his spurs is when he's on a 'orse'."

**Some French.**

A FRENCH OFFICER used a bright little phrase the other day in my hearing. Of a certain knut known to both of us, he said: "Il est très dog." Wow!

**Hun "Humour."**

EVEN in art war economy is making itself felt. Instead of "Madame Butterfly" they are giving "Madame Margarineff" at the opera now.

**Baronet Who Stuck Envelopes.**

QUITE A ROMANTIC story could be written about a young baronet who recently applied for and was given a temporary post in a London Government office. This scion of an ancient family, who is medically unfit for the Army, at first performed more or less menial tasks, and was once actually employed in sticking envelopes and dispatching small packets.

**A Duchess's Intervention.**

THE BARONET is a quiet, unassuming man, and he did not complain, but a duchess to whom he happened to describe his duties intervened on his behalf, and he was given more congenial work—work which he is performing efficiently.

**Lady Belper.**

LADY BELPER has just given birth to a daughter. Due congratulations. She already has two sons, the elder of whom, the Hon. Alexander Ronald George Strutt, a little boy of four, will one day be Lord Belper (the fourth baron). Lady Belper was a Bruce, and her brother, the Hon. Lyndhurst Bruce, who was killed at the front some time ago, gained a considerable amount of notoriety at the time of the "Gibson Girl" craze by marrying Camille Clifford. Lord Belper is a captain in the Grenadier Guards. The family seat is Kingston Hall, Derby, and there is quite a comfortable amount of land with it.

**Dowdiness By Order.**

NOTWITHSTANDING all the Government's thrift posters the makers of laces and trimmings are not doing so badly. Their trade suffered at first, but now things are looking up a bit. The sensible girl realises that the boys do not want to see dowdy frumps when they come away from the trenches. There is all the difference in the world between taste and show, and fine birds cannot be made without reasonably smart feathers.

**Dorothy Forster Will Play.**

DOROTHY FORSTER, who has composed songs innumerable which are as successful as they are sentimental, was telling me the other night of her new venture. She is shortly to make her début in variety. She doesn't sing, but she plays quite delightfully. And so her "turn" will consist of a well-known soprano, a cellist, and Dorothy herself at the piano, accompanying her own songs. Who is there who hasn't listened in drawing-rooms after dinner to "I wonder if Love is a Dream"? Who hasn't eaten lunch at West End restaurants to the passionate accompaniment of "Come, for it's June"? Clever Dorothy.



**Chaplin's £134,000.**

THE NEWS of Charles Chaplin's £134,000-on-condition-you-don't-fight-for-your-country contract will, I think, kill the wonderful boom this youth has enjoyed—at any rate, as far as this country is concerned. When I was commenting on the recent turn of affairs, I said that people would probably flock to Chaplin films just the same. But from the letters I am receiving it looks as if I was wrong.

**Will He Become An American?**

MIND you, a thousand people think things that only one person in that thousand troubles to write to the Press about. I suppose the result will be that Chaplin will become a naturalised American and bask in affluence t'other side of the Atlantic for the rest of his days. Let him!

**Irish Flag Day.**

THE Irish Flag Day looks as if it is going to put up a record. One of its principal organisers tells me that the bank has only just finished counting the money collected. Some counting that, not to mention some collection. Also I hear that flags ran short because—all the green dye was used up.

**Kind Hearts.**

THE story of the wounded boy soldier who couldn't go to the King's party has touched many kind hearts. I have received postal orders and cigarettes for him, and many offers to write and send him other little comforts. Now they are beginning to telephone about him!

# POLICEMAN-PRINCE CHARMING IN BARRIE'S CINDERELLA FANTASY.



In her dream Hilda Trevelyan sees Gerald du Maurier as the policeman, con soles Hilda Trevelyan for her lost dream by revealing himself as the Real Prince Charming, and putting on the crystal slippers. Hilda Trevelyan in despair to find that Venus measures more round the waist than she does Sir James Barrie's fantasy, "A Kiss for Cinderella," now being played at Wyndham's Theatre, shows us Wendy in War Time. Hilda Trevelyan as Cinderella, and Gerald du Maurier as Policeman Reality and Prince Charming of the Dream, carry on the best traditions of Barrie acting.—(Foulsham and Banfield.)

## WOMEN WORKERS FIND SKIRTS ARE IN THE WAY WHEN THEY TAKE TO MEN'S JOBS.



Since they do men's work they must don men's clothes, say the women who have found wartime employment as cleaners and greasers on the South-Western Railway. So they all wear slops.



### HER APPEAL FOR TOMMY.



Lady Murray, wife of Sir Archibald Murray, commanding troops in the Mediterranean, is appealing for funds for socks.—(Swaine.)

### KILLED BY HIS OWN TAXI.



George McNiff, the Westminster taxi-driver who was run over and killed by his own car.

New clothes, whatever the fashion, always make a woman smile.

A workmanlike figure she looks in her wartime suit.

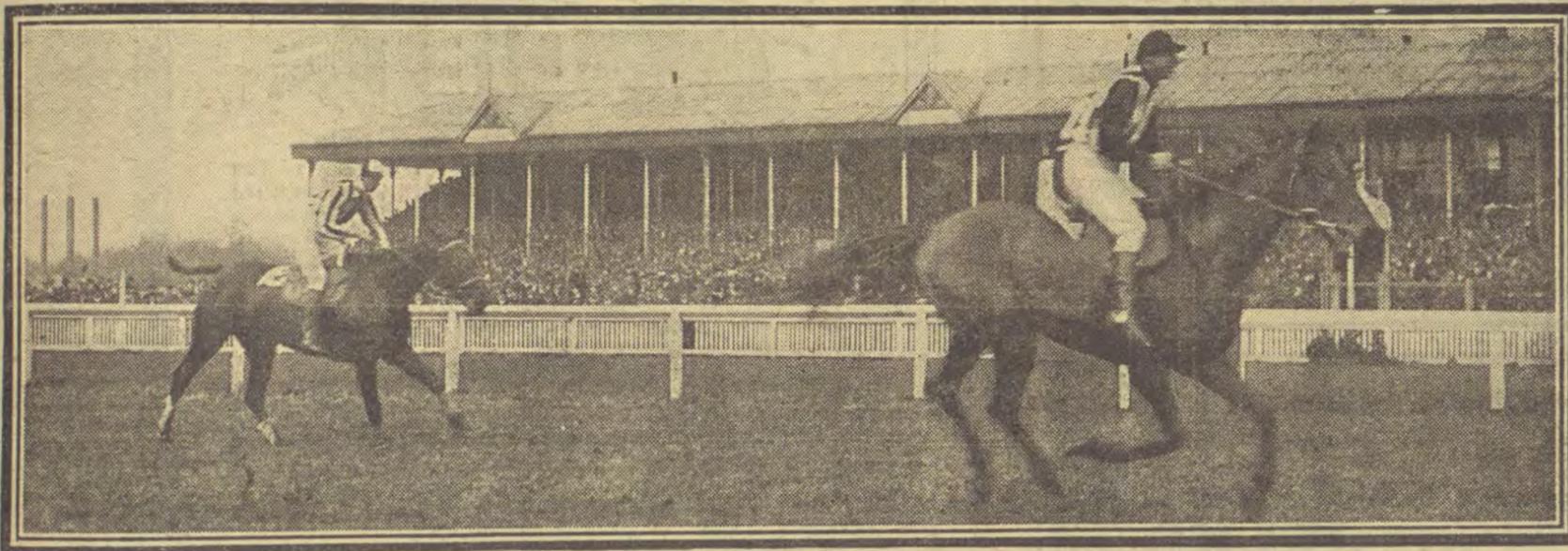
# SNAPSHOTS OF THE WAR-TIME GRAND NATIONAL AT GATWICK.



Although it was not Aintree the obstacles were quite stiff enough.



Leading in the winner.



The finish. Vermouth won in comfortable fashion, from Irish Mail.

The war-time Grand National at Gatwick was very successful from the standpoint of racing, but, viewed as a fashionable gathering, it was not a brilliant spectacle. There were many soldiers present—including wounded in charge of their nurses—which shows that there are no killjoys among our boys in khaki. —(Daily Sketch Photographs.)

## FOR THE GENERAL.



General Cadorna, Italy's Commander-in-Chief, receiving a bouquet during his visit to the Italian Hospital in London yesterday.

## ON HIS HONEYMOON.



Snapshot of Sir Charles Windham at Boscombe, where he and his wife (Mary Moore) are on their honeymoon.

## CHILDREN FOLLOW THE LEADER IN THE PLANK PARADE.



The River Lea is in flood, and the streets of Lower Clapton have been turned into waterways. Our photograph shows school children and their adult escorts walking the plank.

## MARRIED AT GUARDS' CHAPEL.



The Hon. Mrs. Eaton, née Miss Nora Parker, of Tasmania. Her marriage to Lord Cheylesmore's elder son was at the Guards' Chapel.—(Yevonde.)

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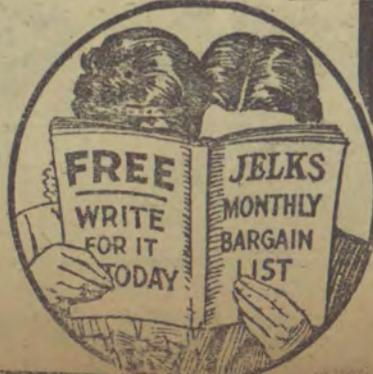
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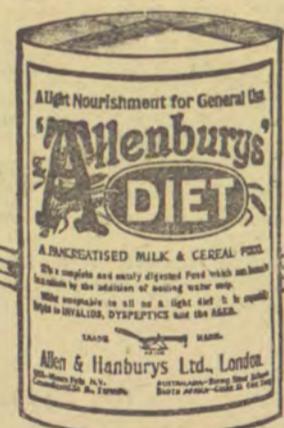
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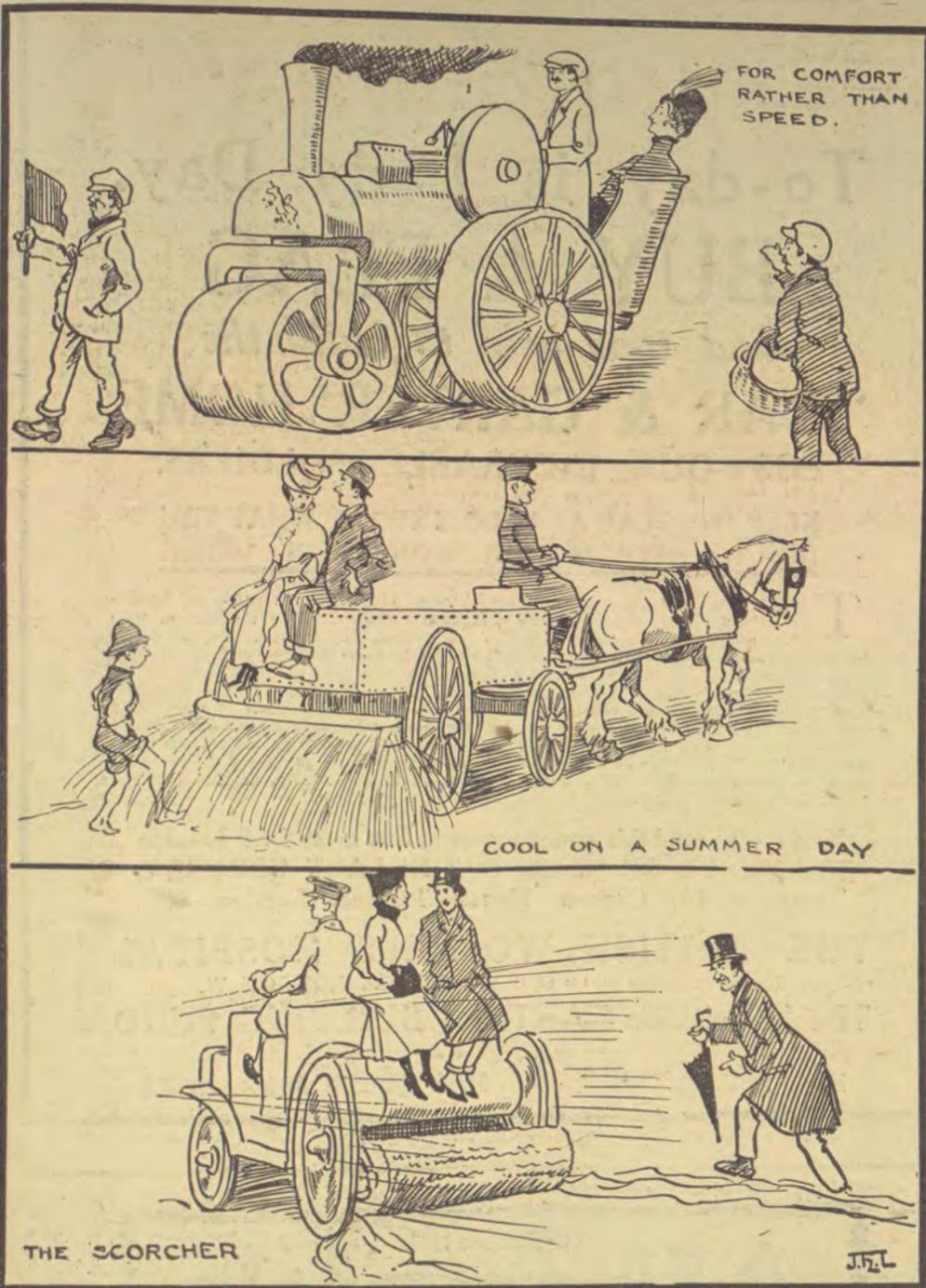
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Since January this year four women gardeners have been employed in the glasshouses at the Royal gardens at Windsor Castle. They have taken the places of men who have joined the Army. His Majesty has again given a patriotic lead to his subjects.—(*Daily Sketch* Photographs.)

### THE BLACK BOOT-BLACK.



Jock ashore in Cairo has a shoe-shine from a little Arab who is almost as black as his blacking.

### SIGNS OF SPRING IN HYDE PARK.



The first glimpse of spring sunshine yesterday attracted convalescent Tommies to a lounge in Hyde Park and nursemaids to the first "pram parade" of the season.

### RETIRING GENERAL.



General W. E. Blewett, C.B., is retiring from the Southern Command.—(Russell.)