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Defeat Przemysi. Russian

Russian Defeat at Przemysl.

The Russians tried to storm the Forts of Przemysl (in Galicia) again, but the assault broke down under a heavy fire from guns, machine-guns and rifles of the Austrians at a distance of about 250 to 300 yeards. Only a few of the 10000 men, which took part in the storming, escaped. The Russians are beginning to with draw their forces from Przemysl. An Austrian Relief Corps has entered the town already. The total losses of the Russians during the three days siege of Przemysl amount to 40 000 men.

2 French Cavalry Divisions defeated. German Cavalry have beaten two French Cavalry Divisions near Lille, the nothernmost point of the French positions.

The Fall of Antwerp.

The Turning point of the War in France. Antwerp, the strongest fortress of the world, is in German hands. Even the English Marines with their big guns, which arrived a few days ago, were not able to defend the City a single day longer. But their presence, in conjunction with a flying visit of Mr. Churchill, has compelled the Germans to bombard the City itself. King Albert intended to surrender the fortress after a breach had been laid in the outer ring of fortifications. He was prevented from doing so by the English Commander. The feeling of the people of Antwerp has turned very sharply against the English allies, who waited for three weeks at Ostende, before coming to the relief and withdrew first after the bombardment. leaving the Belgians to guard their retreat. It is doubtful however, if either Army will reach Ostende or the French and English outposts on the Franco-Belgian frontier, for the Germans have already crossed the Schelde, threatening the flank of the retreating English and Belgians. Large numbers of prisoners have already been made and over 13000 who tried to ecape northwards were stopped by the Dutch frontier-guards. They will be detained in Holland until the end of the war. The importance of the German success cannot be overestimated. German troops will soon occupy Ostende and the whole Belgian coast-line and new armies will be available for the fight in northern France, where the French and English, though doubly as strong as the Germans, have not succeeded in outflanking or breaking the German lines. The latter will now be able to undertake a counter-stroke which can only have one result: the isolation of the northern French wing and the rolling up of the French lines at the Aisn from West to East. This move will be supported by a bombardment of the French fortifications at the Maas, chiefly Verdun and Toul, with the havy siege-guns brought there from Antwerp. There is no possible hope left for a French-English victory and no hope either of a successful defence of Paris. The fortifications of Paris, though larger in circumference than those of Antwerp, are of older date and will be silenced even quicker than the latter. The coming formight will in all probability see the Germans camp in the Champs Elysees and round the Tour d'Eiffel.

Austro-German Successes in Galicia and Poland.

The allied Austrian and German armies, advancing in four columns, have had a series of successful skirmishes with the rear-guard of the retreating Russians. Several positions of strategical importance have been taken and a large number of prisoners made. Hungary and Galicia will soon be cleared of Russian troops, which are retreating beyond the San. The Germans reached the Vistula south of Warsaw.

Beliert Prepares for Bembardment. All skirmishes in Upper Alsase have

ended with the defeat of the French, wo are retreating towards Belfort. The Commander of this fortress has ordered the civil population to leave. 25000 people have been sent to Southern France.

Death of Cardinal Ferrata. The Papal Sceretary of State, Cardinal Ferrata, died on Saturday.

Goods Trailic Rollerdam-New York. The steamship service Rotterdam-New York is still continued. Not less than 10 freight-steamers will leave Rotterdam during the time from October 8th to October 17th.

Death of the King of Roumania.

King Carol of Roumania died last Saturday at Bucharest. His death at this moment will be lamented not only by his subjects, who loved him as the founder of Roumanias independence and greatness, but also by all who knew of the late King's friendship for Germany and Austria. If Rumanian public opinion withstood Russian temptations as well as Russian threats, this was due to the untiring efforts and the outspoken policy of King Carol. He will be succeded by Crown - Prince Ferdinand the son of King Carol's elder brother, Prince Leopold of Hohenzollern. May the new King follow the wise policy of his uncle.

The Situation in the Near East.

The Entente-Powers have again asked the Porte for the immediate opening of the Dardanelles and have met again with a flat refusal. All English and French merchant ships in the Sea of Marmora and the Black Sea have received orders from their Governments to immediately leave Turkish ports. Relations between Turkey and Russia have become a very serious aspect. The Russian Black Sea Fleet has been seen steaming in the direction of Constantinople. The relation between Bulgaria and Servia are also growing worse day by day, as the Servian Government does not do anything to prevent the massacre of Bulgarians in the Servian part of Macedonia by the Servian military. Persia has asked Russia to withdraw her troops from the Persian province of Aserbeidjahn, which was refused by Russia. The Persian Parliament will meet this week for important decisions. Curdsih tribes have again engaged Russian troops in serious

The Tsar as Commander-in-Chief. The Tsar has taken over the supreme command of the Russian Armies. His Headquarters are at Brest-Litowsk. Grand-Duke Nicolas Nicolajewich has been

appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Northern Army.

Dark Pessimism in Warsaw.

Warsaw, the Capital of Russian Poland is already suffering from want of coal, sugar and salt. The factories are closed and unemployment and threatening starvation have raised revolutionary sentiments amongst the labouring classes. The Commercial Bank issues 3 Rubel-Bonds and private firms pay with own bonds to the value of one Rubel, which of course are only accepted from firms of good standing. Forged Bonds have already been in circulation in provincial towns. The newspapers which are published in smaller sizes for want of paper, are only allowed to publish short articles and notes of patriotic nature. In official reports blind hatred is expressed against Germany, while Austria is hardly mentioned. A special organization has been started to influence Polish circles by means of leaflets etc. But all this cannot prevent the authorities from fearing a general rise of the population if the Germans are nearing Warsaw. Everything is prepared for a flight into the interior. The trains for Moscow are already filled with Russians who do not trust the assurances of the Governor.

American Fleet sent to Philippines. Events are marching also in the Pacific. When Japan declared war on Germany, the United States Government expressed its intention to remain neutral, as long as Japan would keep out of the Southern Pacific. Japan did not keep her promise, but occupied the German Marshall Islands; a step, which raised a storm of protest in the American Press. The Government is asked to answer this Japanese advance with a sharp and clear "Hands off". This the Government has already done by sending the whole Pacific Fleet to the Philippines.

Dirigibles for America.

The American Government has ordered two dirigible airships. Others will be ordered according to the result of a public subscription.

American Red Cross Mission in Berlin.

The German and Austrian Detachments of the American Red Cross Mission, 12 Surgeons and 56 Nurses have arrived at Berlin yesterday. The Mission was met at Rotterdam by Baron Goldschmidt-Rothschild, former Attaché at the German Embassy in London and by Count Taillerand. Not less then 7 truck-loads of appliances for first aid have been brought over. Both Detachments will leave on Tuesday for the Eastern seat-of-war.

Where's the Fairness?

The utter unreasonableness of the fierce attacks in the English and French press, and in those newspapers which are inspired by the French and English newsservice including many American ones, on the Germans methods of dealing with Belgian franctireurs and their houses, is shown by the following paragraphs in the proclamation of the Russian general Rennenkampf to the inhabitants of East Prussia, issued on August 4th:

I. Any resistance shown by the inhabitants to the Imperial Russian army will be unsparingly punished and this without distinction of age or sex. II. Places in which even the slightest

attack is made upon the Russian army, or in which opposition to its orders are shown, will be at onee burned to the ground.

Has the American press so soon as this Russian order was brought to its notice, discanted in long drawn-out sentences, spiced with innumerable epithets, on its barbarity, or will it do so now? If not it should cease to speak of the barbarism of similar orders when given by German commanders. The press of neutral lands should either treat like acts of whatever kind of the various warring nations with equal silence or

with equal phrase. Everyone should know that the practice has always been the same, and that Lord Roberts in like cases in South Africa burned and laid waste the Boer farms. Even the English journal, the "Westminister Gazette" published the letter of a former member of Parliament in which he said: If the civil population of Louvain suddenly fired from their houses on the German soldiers, a just punishment must have followed this insane act".

In proportion as the acts of the population in such cases are atrocious, must the punishment meted out be swift and dire.

Belgian, French Vs. German Cruelty. In view of the circumstance of Belgian's reported protest against "German Cruelty to the American Government at Washington, the following letter of an American surgeon attached of the Red Cross, received in New York last week, is pecu-

liarly timely: "At the hands of men, women and half-grown boys German troops have experienced here all the horrors usually attributed to savages. Belgian noncombatants are blazing away at everything German from every house and every thicket with perfectly fanatical hatred. During the very first days we had a number of dead and wounded from assaults by civilians, women as well as men. One day a German had his throat cut from ear to ear in bed during the night; another house displayed the red Cross flag; five men were quartered there. The next day all five ware found assassinated.

"Tuesday morning we found in a village in front of Verviers a single soldier, his hands tied behind his back with both eyes gouged out. A motor car from Liege the day before yesterday stopped in a village; a young woman stepped up close to the chauffeur, suddenly put a pistol to his head and killed him. Of course, such acts are promptly followed hy the execution of the criminals, but neither this nor the burning of their houses deters the inhabitants. Of the wounded under my care several had wounds I could not account for (Description omitted because unprintable). Two of my patients have birdshot each in one eye; a serious wound of the wrist was inflicted while the troops in passing a hedge in the dark were fired upon by a concealed sniper at such short range that the powder marks were

left on the skin. Another had his right

arm so badly lacerated with birdshot

fired at close range in the dark that his

arm had to be immediately amputated. The Dutch Refuge. Since the Germans bombarded the Forts of Antwerp dozens of trains left that City daily for the Dutch frontier with people seeking refuge from the horrors of war in Holland. Thousands who could not wait for a train or could not pay the fare walked all the way. All Dutch towns and villages are filled with refugees and the stream will not abate. Their number has been increased during the last few days by Belgian and English soldiers. The Dutch population tries to help, as they have helped the Germans, fleeing from Belgium only

Fresh Progroms in Russia.

Sanguinary progroms are reported to have broken out in Bessarabia and Russian Poland. Part of the Russian press, led by the "Nowoje Vremja" stirs popular passions against the jews by numberless false accusations. The battle of Tannenberg according to a rumour that is being spread, was lost through the treason of Jewish Russian soldiers who indicated the position to the enemy by waving handkerchiefs. The publication of the high-class magazine "Russkoje Bogatswo" was stopped because its editor, scandalized by the treatment of the jews, wrote: 'The Russian jews fight against Germany, which gave education to their brothers and sisters; they fight for Russia, which refuses it to them. Is one entitled to to expect under such conditions that the patriotism of the Jews should increase to such extent as to be proof against any other sentiments and moods?

After all they are human." Now Russian jewry cannot even appeal to universal public opinion, for the English press, with its influence upon American newspaper views naturally professed to believe in the assurances of her dear ally Russia, to emancipate the jews after the war, so nothing is likely to stop the atrocities going on now.

A French Gibraltar!

The Vienna "Reichspost" points out the darger to France of Englands action in renting ground and buildings in Havre for two years and garr soning 5000 men troops there, with a Dreadnought stationed in Havre Harbour. This is only a beginning, for England wants a place on the Continental coast from which to rule the Channel. It is the same method which was used, when England occupied the rock of Gibraltar. But even if France should submit to the permanent occupation of Havre, the day will come, when Germany's and Austria's heavy mortars thunder their "Hands off."

How to get recruits. Sandwich-boards are born through the streets of London showing the following sentences:

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civilization. Because she violates treaties. Because she murders non-combattants. Because she destroys beautiful cities. Because she lays mines in the open sea. Because she fires at the Red Cross. Because her avowed purpose is England's

destruction. Men of England think of the city of Louvain!

It is a fight of democracy against tyranny. Do you want to share the fate of Belgium? If not, enter your names now in the recruiting lists.

Can't the English army authorities "tell 'em!"

Roumania isolated from the West. Roumania has been isolated from the West by the closing of the Dardanelles. Communication with England and France can only be continued via Nish and Saloniki and this route is extremely dangerous under present circumstances.

Kiel-Canal Closed. The Kiel-Canal, connecting the North Sea with the Baltic has been closed for neutral shipping during the War for military reasons.

Where The Jews Stand. Ex-Judge Leon Sanders, Grandmaster of the In-dependent Order Brith Abraham quoted in an interview.

No man who knows the social and political conditions of Russia attaches any faith to the Czar's promises The Little Father has promised the Poles independence, the Jews political and civil equality. That in itself is a contradiction, for the Jews are chiefly settled in the old Polish Domain. If the Poles are given their independence they will administer their State in their own way. So the Czar is promising something that cannot be realized. Besides, what assurance is there that he really has made such a promise? Even if the Czar should come here, the Jews would not believe him. The man who personally directed that no American citizen of Israelitic faith should be allowed to enter the Dark Empire, banished civilization, treated with utter contempt the President of the United States and Congress when approached on the subject of preventing Jewish bloodshed, suddenly professes himself a friend of the oppressed and persecuted! Will anybody put any faith in such professions?

The Honour of the Poles. Racial freedom in Austria.

Under the title of "The honour of the Poles" "Nova Reforma" gives prominence to an article by the well-known Polish poet Georg Zulowski, who has now asked permission to enlist as a private in the Polish Legions. The article points out:

Prince Poniatowsky declared during the battle of Leipzig: "God has entrusted to me the honour of the Poles and to God alone I can render it. 100 years have since passed away. Times have changed. France, which has formerly deceived and duped the Poles has now overtly and barefacedly joined hands with Russia. Our once-upon-a-time friends have now become our allies; but the fight still goes on with the same motto. The hereditary enemy of the Poles is still the same and so is the honour of our nation. We stand to-day by the side of Austria and do not for a moment doubt her good intentions. Let the Grandduke Nicolas squander his promises - which if it comes to a test he would not keepwe know how we are getting on here (in Austria). After having lost our independence we have found shelter and protection in this monarchy, the most liberal one in Europe. We have full civic equality; we have the liberty of self-government and of national development. We look upon deeds, for these are the best guarantee of the future. 100 years ago Polish legionaries sported the tricolor which was a symbol of liberty. To-day that ensign is sullied with dirt and blood for the sake of egotistic interests; to-day we Polish legionaries wear the black and yellow armlet and we wear it without injury to our national sentiments; for it is the ensign of a State which gives the greatest amount of freedom to its citizens, and which, together with Poland forms a dam against the barbaric inundation from the east. Therefore we have the right and the duty to fight for Austria against the common foe and before the High Court of History it is Austria's duty to protect us; for apart from everything else she thereby protects herself and fulfills her great historical destiny: to be a house of freedom for the races oppressed by Russia.

We firmly believe in our good cause, in the victory of freedom and culture and in the ultimate defeat of Russia, but how ever the fortune of war may turn out, we shall not change our attitude. To-day God has entrusted to the Polish legionarias the honour of the Poles and into God's hands only we shall render it. What ever may happen we glance calmly into the future; we know that our path is rigtheous and the only one on which consideration of our fatherland and our honour has permitted us to walk. Our conscience is clear and our souls are joyful, because once again, upon the battlefield, amidst the thunder of the guns we shall be able to exclaim: Poland is not lost as yet, while we live. And when we shall be no more our children will repeat it, as our fathers have said it before us.

The final result of a deed and especially of a war often defies human calculation. For that reason the goal and the way leading to that goal is the most vital consideration, without regard for the ultimate result. Our goal is the freedom of the Fatherland; our way to reach it is the sacrifice of our substance under preservation of the most sublime of treasures: the honour of the Polish nation. He who would barter away that sacred and unsullied possession to the enemy, or would enter into negotiations wilth the enemy and for the price of our disgrace purchase national existence is our enemy, even though he may speak the same tongue as ourselves. In these sanguinary times God has entrusted to us the honour of the Poles, the honour of a nation which has produced a Knight Zawisza and a Poniatowsky. Only into the hands of God shall we render our honour and we firmly believe that we shall render it in an immaculate state on the day of the triumph of liberty over bondage, of truth over lie, of light over gloom. Amen!

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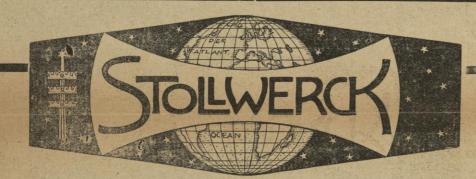
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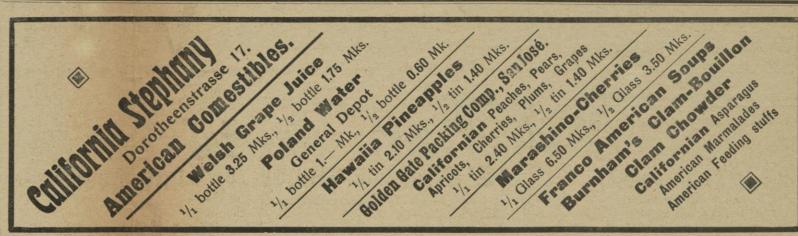
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