

ARRAY OF TROOPS BY MOSLEMS

More Than Half a Million Soldiers Face the Powers.

INSOLENCE OF HAMID'S OFFICERS.

They Scorn the Idea of Any Combination Being Made Against Turkey.

EASTERN AFFAIRS YET IN AN OMINOUS STATE.

It Now Appears That Russia Has Been Financing the Sultan Throughout the War.

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LONDON, Eng., June 12.—The Sun's Salonica correspondent writes: "Europe had better make up her mind to prolonged Turkish occupation of Thessaly. The Salonica railroad is as busy now as on the eve of war. Trains conveying troops and stores have been running ceaselessly three months. Europe scarcely seems to understand the position of affairs even now. It is this: There are 250,000 Ottoman troops in Thessaly at the present time and 300,000 more in Macedonia ready to join them, and the Sultan wants to know which power or what combination of powers is going to undertake the job of turning him and his soldiers out. Turkish civil and military officers of the highest rank are continually passing to and from Constantinople. They snap their fingers at the powers and say rude things of the Embassadors. These officers know what is going on in the palace. There is not one of them who does not laugh to scorn the idea of any combination of powers against Turkey."

Here in London at the Turkish embassy the same language as the foregoing, with the addition of the utmost confidence expressed in the willingness and ability of Russia to help Turkey if the other powers "drive the Sultan into extreme courses."

Although 250,000 Turkish troops are in Thessaly and the Greek army has practically ceased to exist as a war factor there, there is one place in the conquered province which still flies the Christian flag and bids defiance to the crescent. This is the monastery of Meteora, in the north-west corner of Thessaly, perched upon an almost inaccessible rock, defended by stout monks and well provisioned with a flock of goats and sheep on the mountain pasture behind it.

The place has so far resisted repeated assaults. The blue and white banner still waves proudly in the breeze, and every morning and evening the monastery bells call the good Christians to matins or evensong. Many Christians have long since fled, and the solemn sound of the bell serves but to exasperate the Mahomedan soldiers encamped in the valley. The monks have repeatedly been called from prayers to fight the attacking Turks with guns and rocks, and they are calmly confident of their ability to keep the Greek flag over their roof until in the providence of God the Turks withdraw from Thessaly.

ATHENS, Greece, June 12.—The Government has decided to send a number of high diplomats and military officers to Constantinople to take part semi-officially in the peace conferences. They will pay particular attention to questions of abrogation of capitulations in favor of Greek subjects in Turkey and the rectification of the frontier.

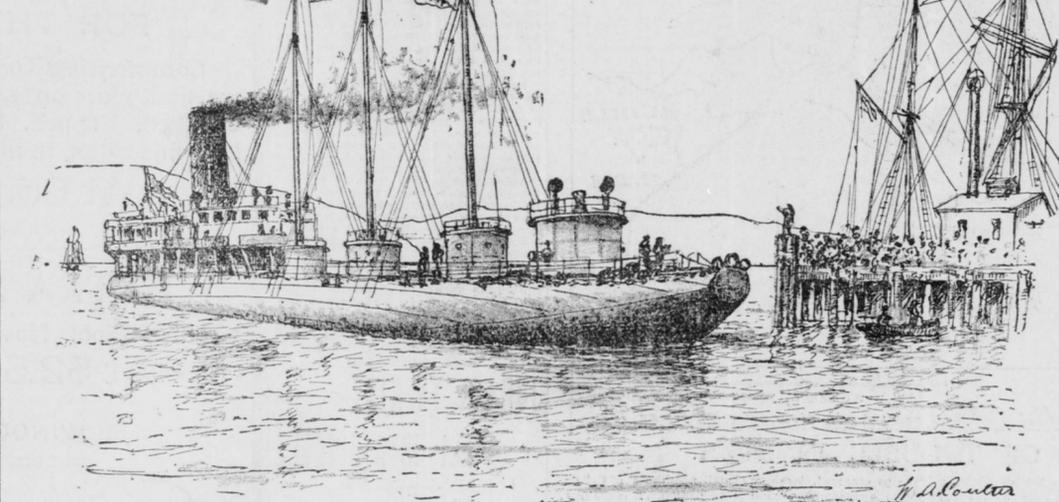
The Turkish Governor of Volo, appointed after the capture of that place, has issued a proclamation that Turkey will confiscate the property of any person who has left Thessaly and taken refuge elsewhere, unless he returns in fifteen days.

APPROACHING A CRISIS.

Now the Eastern Situation is Regarded as Extremely Ominous. LONDON, Eng., June 12.—The Eastern situation must be regarded as extremely ominous despite the favorable reports of the progress of peace negotiations. Turkey continues to demand Thessaly and proposes to enforce her claim even if England should attempt to drive her out.

On the other hand there is every evidence that Great Britain intends to maintain her position. The English press has not yet announced the positive declaration that the Government will withdraw from the concert unless Turkey is compelled to relinquish Thessaly. It is unfortunate that the correspondent is not permitted to name the authority for this momentous news, but it would cause a grave disturbance in political and financial circles in Europe. It would be realized then that affairs in the East are in a more dangerous state at present than at any time during two years of a crisis. Information comes from a reliable

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source in Constantinople that Russia has been financing Turkey throughout the war. Large sums of gold have been sent to Russia from Paris via Marseilles.

Violating the Armistice. ATHENS, Greece, June 12.—The Turks are reported to be fortifying Volo and Provesa and sending troops to various islands, thereby violating the armistice. The Turkish fleet is said to have passed out through the Dardanelles last night on a mission.

TO PUNISH THE NATIVES.

An Infantry Regiment Ordered to Tochi Valley, Where the British Officers Were Slain.

SIMLA, India, June 12.—A Punjab infantry regiment has been ordered to proceed to the Tochi Valley, where a British force of 300 men escorting the political officer, Mr. Gee, was recently attacked by an overwhelming force of insurgent natives, instigated by the Mullah of Porindah, a notorious fanatic priest. The British lost twenty-eight men killed, including Colonel Bunn, the British commander. Several regiments are moving in the same direction.

Mr. Gee was the only officer not injured. He believed that the whole affair was premeditated. The insurgents spared the life of a native officer who fell into their hands. The telegraph line leading to the Tochi Valley has been cut. Further hostilities are looked for in the near future. Mr. Gee's visit was prearranged. The natives were sent along to Malda. Some of them returned bringing food for the Europeans, when, without warning, a fire was opened upon the British forces from all sides. All the British officers except Mr. Gee were wounded. The enemy, which at first numbered about 500 men, soon increased to 1000. It is estimated that fifty Wakhiris were killed and many wounded.

LONDON, Eng., June 12.—The Times correspondent at Simla says: Mr. Gee was sent to fix the site of a new outpost at Suerani and to recover the fine imposed on local tribesmen for past misconduct. The troops after the attack retired toward Dattakul, sustaining a running fight for four miles. The Wakhiris were in such strength it was impossible to do more than act on the defensive. Two companies of native infantry sent from Dattakul re-enforced the party, which brought in its guns to safety. No reason is given for this sudden outbreak.

CALCUTTA SEVERELY SHAKEN.

An Earthquake Lasting Five Minutes Kills Eight Natives and Destroys Many Buildings.

CALCUTTA, India, June 12.—The severest earthquake ever known occurred here this afternoon. Eight natives were killed. In some parts of the city nothing remains of the buildings but ruins. The spires of the cathedral were thrown down and the town hall and high court building badly damaged. The shock lasted five minutes.

QUITE A CONTRAST, INDEED.

Difference Between the Daily Lives of Kruger and Chamberlain. LONDON, Eng., June 12.—Dr. F. E. Clark, founder of the Christian Endeavor, who has been a good deal lionized this week by his British confreres, is now returning to New York on route to San Francisco to attend the international gatherings here. He has a good time in South Africa and hobnobbed with President Kruger. He thinks a great deal of the old Boer statesman, who, it seems, goes to bed at 8 o'clock in the evening, rises at 3 in the morning, and spends from that hour until 5 in private devotions, all of which contrasts strikingly with the habits of his chief diplomatic adversary, Chamberlain, who retires habitually about the time Kruger is thinking of getting up, and who certainly does not set apart any known portion of his time for devotions in private or public.

TO CONSIDER LEPROSY.

An Important International Conference to Be Held at Berlin. BERLIN, Germany, June 12.—An international leprosy conference will be held here October 11. The chief purpose is to bring about an agreement for the scientific treatment of leprosy and exhibition of subjects connected with the malady. Dr. Hutchison of London will lecture upon the aetiology of leprosy. Professor Virchow will discuss the pathological anatomy of leprosy. Dr. Neisser of Breslau will deal with the origin of the disease. Dr. Besnier of Paris will treat of its etiology. Professor Koch will discuss whether the disease is infectious. Drs. Kitasato of Tokio, Mauritz of Hawaii, during of Constantinople and other eminent experts will attend.



The Whaleback City of Everett Sailed for India With a Cargo of Grain for the Starving Millions in That Country. Over a Thousand People Were Down to See Her Off and Religious Services Were Held on Board During the Afternoon.

JUBILEE EVENTS ALL IN A JUMBLE

Court Officials Seem to Have Hopelessly Blundered.

Nevertheless There Is a Promise of Some Most Gorgeous Festivities.

Publication of the Programme, However, Calls Out a Chorus of Protests.

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LONDON, Eng., June 12.—As far as the official programme of jubilee events is concerned, there is a scandalous state of unpreparedness. As is usually the case in this country, great ceremonial in charge of court officials are hopelessly bungled, but the jubilee celebration promises to be the worst ever known. The official order of the procession, issued yesterday, assigns places only to the troops. Nothing is yet decided about the arrangements for the vast number of guests to appear somewhere in the parade. There is some confusion in regard to decorations and illuminations. There

is no general plan, such as always governs such displays in Continental capitals. The artists of the guild and academy offered to the committee to take the matter in hand and arrange a harmonious plan, but the authorities refused to accept the offer, and it is already evident the result will not only be inartistic, but positively hideous. The publication of the programme has called out to-day a great chorus of protests. It is pointed out that the royal procession, instead of representing the glories of the Victorian era, will be almost exclusively military. Science, art and statesmanship are all unrepresented. The colonial visitors are only civilians. All the rest are in red coats. The statesman who has been in the larger part of two generations commemorated more than any other man living, Gladstone, will not be seen on the great day. The partisan business against Gladstone, by the way, has been revived to the fullest extent by his persistent denunciation of the Sultan and the policy of the powers. His letter this week suggesting that the representative of Turkey in the jubilee procession will not be well received has been construed by the Tory press into incitement to public insult. This is absurd. Even a sober newspaper like the Globe says to-night: "We do not wish to be disrespectful, but really it would conduce to the gaiety of the nation if some one would, until the jubilee is over, put Gladstone in a bag, or better still if the Turkish Embassy would demand his prosecution for incitement to commit a breach of the peace and get him bound over for good behavior for a month."

There are important reasons of state why the jubilee is to be above all things a great naval demonstration. No opportunity will be lost during the next fortnight to impress upon foreign visitors the

vastness of Great Britain's military and naval power. Certain London journals are commenting in a contemptuous tone upon the official provision for the expenses of the special jubilee Embassy of the United States and general niggardliness of American treatment of representatives of the Republic abroad. It is observed that the appropriation of \$10,000, which it is understood was allotted to Whitelaw Reid's mission, will only cover incidental expenses. These London journals quote Reid's friends as saying he spent twice his salary for house rent alone when United States Minister at Paris. They further instance that an attaché of the American Embassy here enjoys a salary of \$5000 and spends \$40,000. The idea that diplomatic salaries are kept low in order to exemplify republican simplicity is treated as a mere pretense to cover Brother Jonathan's meanness. Quarters have been provided at Buckingham Palace Hotel for General Miles and Rear-Admiral Miller, who will be guests of the Government from June 19 to 23. Reid preferred private quarters with his family instead of the hospitality of the Government.

PLANS FOR THE JUBILEE.

The Display of Military and Naval Strength to Be Great Features of the Celebration. LONDON, Eng., June 12.—The plans for the Queen's Jubilee, after much revision and vacillation on the part of the authorities, have finally reached a basis upon which it is believed they will firmly rest. The details that are given herewith are not generally known, but they are the first upon which absolute dependence can be safely placed. It is now a settled fact that the Queen is to arrive at Buckingham Palace from

Windsor Castle about noon, Monday, June 21. She will drive in semi-state through Hyde Park from Paddington station. She will go directly to her apartments at Buckingham, and thence to a royal luncheon party which has been arranged. In the afternoon she will receive all the imperial and royal guests from abroad.

At 9 o'clock Monday evening there will be a state banquet which is to be an exceedingly full-dress affair. This will be followed by an evening party for all persons in whose veins flows royal blood, the diplomatic corps, the ministers and the suites of visitors from abroad. That is the programme for Monday as it will be carried out. Tuesday the Prince of Wales will preside at the palace banquet, after which there is to be a royal evening party in the ballroom. Wednesday a garden party is to be given at Buckingham Palace, and for this the Lord Chamberlain has issued 6000 invitations. The Queen, the representatives of royalty and members of the court will be grouped in a marquee on the lawn during the garden party, and the guests are to pass in front of this marquee as they enter. At night there will be another state banquet, after which the royalties, as they are called, will go to Lady Salisbury's ball at the foreign office.

The King of Saxony has been invited to come to England for the jubilee fête by the Queen herself, and he will be her guest at Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle for a week or ten days. One of the functions of the week of celebration which he will attend will be a dinner party given by the Duke and Duchess of Fife to King Albert and the Prince of Wales.

The Queen has given orders about the horses that are likely to surprise a good many persons and which will be rather hard to obey, most persons think. She

STARTED ON AN ERRAND OF MERCY

The Whaleback City of Everett Gets Away for India.

CARRIES FOOD FOR THE STARVING.

Over a Million People Said to Be in a Dying Condition From Hunger.

AMERICA'S DONATION WILL BE WELCOMED.

Corn, Beans, Rye, Wheat and Flour Make Up the Bulk of the Vessel's Cargo.

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" was the hymn that the throng assembled on the whaleback City of Everett burst forth into yesterday when the last hatch was screwed down on the cargo of grain that is being shipped to India to feed the starving poor in that country. Representative ministers from this City and Oakland were present, and people of all denominations thronged the decks of the vessel. There were fully a thousand curiosity-seekers on the dock, and in nearly every instance the speakers addressed their remarks to them.

Among those present were: Rev. Merriman C. Harris, Rev. M. P. Chapman, Rev. W. S. Matthew, Rev. Dr. Hobbs, Rev. James Wilson, W. H. Bone, W. W. Clark, James L. Barker and a large number of ladies. The only people who will go out on the steamer besides the crew will be the Rev. Dr. Hobbs, commissioner of the relief fund, and his wife, who will see to the distribution of the cargo.

The City of Everett has on board 2800 tons of corn, rye, wheat and beans, besides 123 packages of dried fish, crackers and flour. The Rev. M. C. Harris was the first to address the crowd. He spoke in terms of the highest praise of the Rev. Dr. Hobbs, who was at the head and front of the movement to procure the grain for India's starving millions.

"I have been asked several times," said he, "Why do you send this grain to India when it is wanted so badly at home? Of course the poor are always with us, but there are no people in such dire distress in California as the poor are in India. I have positive information that there are over a million of natives starving over there. This cargo that we have just now seen the hatches put over means the salvation of 100,000 people for at least thirty days. We must always extend a helping hand to suffering humanity, whether it is at home or 10,000 miles away, and in the case of India I know that the suffering is appalling. We are now casting our bread upon the waters. Some day we may be in just such dire straits here in California, and then India will load a ship with wheat and send it to our

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