



NOT EVEN TREES HAVE BEEN SPARED IN THE PATH OF WAR'S DESTROYERS. A TYPICAL STREET SCENE IN THE SECTION OF LOUVAIN DESTROYED BY GERMANS. RUIN AND DESOLATION IN THE WAKE OF THE GERMAN ARMY AFTER ITS MARCH THROUGH BELGIUM.

CUBAN GOVERNMENT TO PENSION WIDOW OF NOTED FILIBUSTER

Wife of Capt. Sam Hughes, in Need Now, to Be Helped by Country Husband Befriended.

Cuba will be asked within a few days to pay a part of the debt she owed to the late Captain Sam Hughes, the king of filibusters, whose gun-running expeditions, more than anything else, made possible the freedom of the island. Philadelphians who were warm personal friends of Captain Hughes during his filibustering days and later when he was captain of the port here, have "suggested" to the Cuban Government that a pension be granted his widow, left destitute because Captain Hughes was a generous and improvident sailor.

SUGGESTS CUBAN AID

George F. Sproule, secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation, an intimate friend of Captain Hughes for 20 years, suggested the idea of a Cuban pension to J. J. Luis, Cuban Consul here, who frequently served as agent for the Cubans in the filibustering days. The "suggestion" was sent two weeks ago to General Emilio Nunez, the most powerful member of the present Cuban Cabinet. General Nunez's principal advisor, General Nunez was the man to whom Captain Hughes sold the arms and ammunition in 1905, 1907 and 1908, sometimes directly and sometimes through Mr. Luis.

MADE CAPTAIN OF PORT.

At the outbreak of the Cuban war Captain Hughes enlisted in the American navy and was given the rank of Lieutenant. He performed valuable services, as he was familiar with the West Indian waters. He commanded the Bermuda after the war and after it sank he accepted the position of chief officer of the United States transport Scott. He was later appointed commander. When he came back to this country he was appointed captain of the port of Philadelphia.

CROWN PRINCE RENEWS ATTACK ON VERDUN FORTS

Flower of Army Assaults Forts on Two Sides. BERLIN, Sept. 22 (By way of The Hague). The army under command of the Crown Prince this afternoon resumed its attack of the great French stronghold at Verdun. The flower of the Crown Prince's army, backed up by a great number of big guns, is attacking Verdun on two sides, according to an official announcement this afternoon by the German General Staff.

BAHAMA SHELLS FIND INCREASING FAVOR IN WORLD OF BUSINESS

More Than Fifty Distinct Varieties Obtained in the Islands Put to Profitable Commercial Use.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22—Writing from Nassau in the Bahamas, Consul W. H. Doty tells how some of the almost innumerable varieties of shells in the islands and the waters surrounding them are put to commercial use. He says: "More than 50 varieties of the shells obtainable in the Bahamas in quantities sufficient for commercial use are of economic value, as evidenced by the large orders received recently from Europe and the United States. Among these are the tiny, tiny in size as to make one marvel how any animal could pick up a shell, the black, black shell, mud shells, cockles, bleeding gold, pretty decorative sea shells; cardrop shells, which are exported to Odessa, Russia, to be used as pen nibs; and the 'Turk' shells, which resemble miniature encampments and sell at \$50 a barrel; black snails, which take a high polish; conches—king, queen, ivory, pink lip and trochus or Turk's cap—locally termed 'wholks'; these are but a few of the assortment kept in stock at the leading warehouse at Nassau.

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GEM SMUGGLING MORE PROFITABLE UNDER NEW TARIFF

Increase of 25 Per Cent. in Business of Defrauding Government Since June First, Experts Say.

The 20 per cent. duty imposed upon the importation of diamonds has placed a premium upon the smuggling of such stones, in the opinion of diamond experts of this city. George A. Moore, of J. E. Caldwell & Co., believes that the increase in diamond smuggling since June 1 has been at least 25 per cent., and that before the end of the year it will have reached 50 per cent.

HUNDREDS OF TITLED ENGLISH MOURN FOR KIN SLAIN IN BATTLE

Casualty Lists Include 797 British Officers—Out of Proportion to Losses in the Ranks.

LONDON, Sept. 22. The Official Press Bureau has issued the following announcement: "It may be of some interest and comfort to the relatives of the officers whose names appear as missing or wounded in the casualty lists issued by the War Office after the termination of the retreat from Mons to know that letters have begun arriving in London from German hospitals, in which some of them are found to be lying. Several of them appear to be at Paderborn, Westphalia."

NEW MOURNING SUGGESTED FOR BRITAIN'S HERO-DEAD

London Times Advocates Purple Band Instead of Conventional Black.

LONDON, Sept. 22. There is a strong movement on foot to dispense with the orthodox form of mourning in the event of casualties occurring in the British navy and army, says the Times. A number of suggestions have been put forward designed to effect economies, although at the same time in no way minimizing the respect for the gallant dead. Recently we published a letter on this topic from Mrs. Edward Littleton, which, in view of the interest it has aroused, we reprint in full.

TO MAKE CHILDREN FIREPROOF

Physician Suggests Solution for Their Protection From Flames.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22—A pound of ammonium phosphate, a crystal powder costing 25 cents, dissolved in a gallon of water was urged today by Dr. Frederick Paist, Coroner's physician, as a fluid that will make clothing fireproof and prevent many children from being burned to death.

FRENCH ARMY REINFORCED BUT FAILED, SAYS BERLIN

Kaiser's Troops Foiled Flank Movement, According to Report.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 22. Advice received here today from Berlin says that during last week's fighting the Franco-British troops attacked fortified German positions between the Oise and Meuse rivers. The French were supported by their positions west of the River Meuse. The German troops in the east retired slowly in accordance with a plan worked out in advance by the general staff, it is related, until favorable positions were reached.

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30,000 PRUSSAINS FLEEING

Fugitives Seek Safety From Russians at Frankfort-on-Oder.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 22. From Berlin comes the announcement by the Wolff Bureau that in the neighborhood of Frankfort-on-Oder 30,000 East Prussian fugitives have been brought there.

NAPOLEON'S CHESS BOARD LOST

Stolen From Compiègne Castle, French Wounded Report.

PARIS, Sept. 22. A chess board used by Napoleon was stolen from the Compiègne Castle, according to information brought here by wounded French soldiers. The castle was not damaged.

FIFTY LIVE CHICKENS SENT THROUGH MAIL BY THE PARCEL POST

Fowls Make Journey Safely From Extreme Southwestern Part of Virginia to a Point in Eastern Section of State.

RICHMOND, Va., Sept. 22—A queer assortment of articles have passed through the Richmond postoffice by way of the parcel post, but the most curious shipment yet received arrived a few days ago in the shape of a peculiarly constructed paper-mache coop containing 50 newly hatched chickens.

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GREAT OIL GUSHER JUST RUINED LUKE HORTON'S PASTURE

But Two Acres of Spouters Brought in One Hundred Bucks a Day—Some Southwest Tales.

TULSA, Okla., Sept. 22—Texas oil well drillers are fond of telling the story of Luke Horton, of Wichita County. When the discovery well came in on Luke's place it came in spouting a thousand barrels a day. Luke, who happened to be at the rig, stood up with the drillers and watched her cut up for a few minutes and he complained: "You have spoiled two acres of my pasture."

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