Will Sit in Council for Limiting Armaments, According to Tentative Plans

DOMINION PREMIERS MEET

By the Associated Press London, July 20 .- It is announced as provisionally arranged that Premier Lloyd George will attend the Washington conference on limitation of arma-

today, adds the Times, "to take a ments is justified.
"The United States like ourselves

The Premiers met together yesterday, Washington, and discussed the question of dominion representation at such a of proportion to the needs of her deconference. So far as disarmament is fense. concerned, the dominions are willing to allow the Imperial Government to decide what should be done, but Australia and New Zealand especially wish to have a voice in any decision regarding the future of the Pacific. Canada is not much concerned, as her policy, it is "In 1916 friends of Great Britain in America stroys increasently der in and

Denies Opposition to Parley Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Amsador, denies that there is any estion of opposition on the part Japan to President Harding's pro-sal for a conference at Washof Japan to Fresident Harding's pro-posal for a conference at Wash-ington, which, on the contrary, he said, was welcomed. Japan was quite ready to discuss with other Powers questions of mutual interest, including the limitation of armaments, on which the Japanese Government already had expressed its willingness to negotiate. Japan, however, desired to know be-forehand what subjects were to be discussed. "Otherwise," said the Ambassador,



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"We may embark upon a never-ending discussion.

"The suggestion that naturally arises," continued the Ambassador, "is whether we are again to bring up matters which the Treaty of Versailles has aiready dealt with. It is clear that such matters as Shantung, Yap and New Guinea, if raised, would result in a general conference on points that are already accomplished facts.

Invitation Not Accepted Yet "Expressing my personal views, I believe that a practical solution of all the questions involved is possible with-out interfering with matters of prin-ciple that already have been decided

Special Cable Disputes. Copyright, 1921 London, July 20.—The Daily Express, owned by Lord Beaverbrook, a Canadian in close touch with the Government, through a leading editorial yesterday, warned Japan in the plainest language that Great Britain would refuse to support her in any anti-Ameri-

ton conference on limitation of armaments.

President Harding has been informed of the desire of the Dominion Premiers that advantage be
minion Premiers that advantage be taken of their presence in London to peace. If Japan refuses frankly to assubject the Pacific question, at least, to a preliminary examination here, according to the Times. The Premiers designs incompatible with peace. We are already agreed the cording to the Times. The Premiers peace. We are already agreed the hope to be in a position at their meeting American alarm as to Japanese arma-

definite step forward in this matter with the concurrence of the United States."

The United States like ourselves, has given hostages in the shape of a fortune in the Far East. Her vast com-The Premiers met together yesterday, mercial interests in China and her posi-the first time since President Hardthe first time since President Hard to attack. Japan has given no such hostages to the West, and her expendi-

much concerned, as her policy, it is much concerned, as her policy, it is pointed out, is practically identical with that of the United States.

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By LAURA REID MONTGOMERY

When Mary got off the night train at the quiet little town of Ellington she went directly to her home. Had her neighbors known that she planned to return, there would have been many invitations extended to the lonely girl who was coming back alone after her trip abroad with her invalid mother. The search for health had been unsuccessful and Mary had spent the remainder of her cherished hoard of money in buying her return trip ticket. She had told no one of her coming, for she had been too heartsick to write after her mother had taken the turn for the worse. She had the instinct of

for the worse. She had the instinct of a wounded animal to return to the places she knew; and as she drew in long breaths of the sweet country air. she knew that she had done the right thing.

The Meddlicott home was at the very outskirts of the village and only near one house, this was the Smiths' house, which was next door with large grounds and many trees about it. Therefore, when Mary set all her doors and windows wide open the next morning there was no one near enough to observe. "I suppose some one will see my smoke," thought the girl as she what?" asked the girl.

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lighted the kindlings under the log in the grate, "and I shall enjoy the chats with my old friends. There is no place like home, I discovered while

She bustled about hoping to set the place in its usual spotless order before the advent of the neighbors she longer to see and it was nearly 10 o'clock be-fore she stopped to listen as the morning train tore through the town.

"Why, Mary Meddlicott, why didn't you let us know you were coming home?" a pair of arms thrown warmly about the slim, blue-ginghamed waist "I just come last night," she said.
"I knew how good you would be, but I just thought I'd creep in and get it over with alone. aroused her.

Amanda patted her arm gently: "Well, you shan't sleep another night here alone. I'll be over again to get

"Nothing," was the evasive reply, "didn't you feel afraid so far away from the other houses last night?"

Mary shook her head.
"You know the Smiths' house has the name of being haunted. Did you hear anything?"
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"You know the Smiths' house has the name of being haunted. Did you hear anything?"
"No, I wonder why they don't rent it? Seems a shame for such a fine estate to fall into decay," returned Mary, a delicate nink staining her

Mary, a delicate pink staining her smooth cheeks as she recalled the quarrel between the two families. The feud had grown out of a mere triffe, a bail tarown by Mary's little brother had broken a pane of glass in the greenhouse, and touchy old Mrs. Smith had fursed and nagged until the families

greenhouse, and touchy old Mrs. Smith had fussed and nagged until the families were on terms of bitter silence.

Amanda, watching the telitale expressions flit over the young face, knew that Mary was thinking of the browneyed Frank Smith who had been a childhood sweetheart and whom Mary had not seen for years. "Don't bother to set bread this morning." she said after a long pause, and she smiled to herself as Mary started confusedly, evidently the girl's thoughts had been dently the girl's thoughts had dently the girl's thoughts had been properly focussed upon cooking. "for I have my baking in the oven and I'll start you with two loaves, just for luck." she added start you with two loaves, just for luck," she added, descending the side

horny sprays along the thick grass that was dotted with blossoms of pink and white clover. To the cast Mary's eyes wandered and fell on the thick row of lilacs that divided the Meddlicott grounds from the Smiths' estate: "There, no one has touched those bushes for years," she thought, recalling the bushes for years," she thought, recalling the bushes for years. ing the old happy times when Frank squeezed through the bushes that he persisted in caller lilac trees, "those branches are growing over and spoiling my hedge. I guess I'll just start right there with my trimming." right there with my trimming."
Stretching lazily, she sat looking up at
the turquoise blue of the summer sky

and then jumped up and went in search Snipping away she worked steadily and there was a growing pile of branches as tribute to her industry when an abrupt sound on the otner side of the hedge startled boasted disregard of the haunted house fled in an instant, and she stood mowaiting.

Mary, her mind a jumble of thoughts. Hat trees?" The voice was masculine

Mary looked startled. She could see no one, but the voice came from a few neet away behind the nedge: "What do you mean? Your demanded, "I guess-Your lilac trees?" she

There was a crashing sound and a gray tweed arm made an opening in the tangle of blossoms and a pair of brown eyes peered through: "You sound mighty confident, but as I happen to be the—why, Mary, hello: I didn't know you were expected home," he ended with a glad note in his voice that rought a rush of rose to the face that had gone white.

"And I," returned Mary, "understood that your house was empty except for ghosts, so I thought I'd prune your ilacs for you. They are crowding my nedge," she added a bit tremulously as his dark eyes dwelt disconcertingly on her embarrassed face.

"There are ghosts in the house," he eaid seriously, "ghosts of old memories —ghosts of an old love that has never been forgotten. I was just about to close up the old house and offer it for I was just about to sale, as no one seemed to know where you were or when you would return. The folks seemed to think you would remain in France, and I couldn't bear

and touched with a crisp annoyance, the voice of a man who was accustomed to obedience.

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Perhaps I will," murmured the girl, her eyes starry with joy, "A ghost is an inducement and you certainly need help with your lilac trees.

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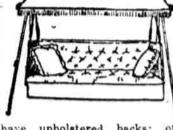
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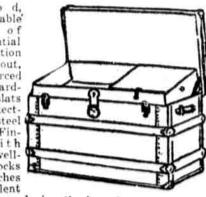
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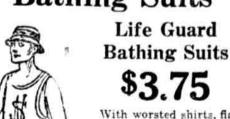
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