

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Social. to The Commercial.

Washington, Nov. 24.—It is no joke to the congressmen that they will lose their mileage because it has been decreed that there shall be no adjournment before the regular session begins next month. Probably the larger number of the Senators and Representatives have been obliged to go home to attend to private or public business, or both, and they have had to put up for the expense out of their own pockets, with no prospect of being reimbursed. The item of twenty cents per mile allowed them for traveling is not very important to those who live at no great distance, but to the members on the Pacific Coast it comes to \$1,200 or \$1,300 for each term, and of course that sum is missed when it is withheld.

Attempts have been made to cut down the rate of mileage but without success. The result of cutting it would be to discourage some members from bringing their families to Washington with them, and as Congressman Mann of Illinois remarked when the subject was being discussed on the floor of the House, it is better for members to have their families with them. However, it occurs to one to ask why Congress should not be a little more liberal with other public servants for traveling expenses. Take our Consuls, for example. They are allowed but one fourth as much as Members of Congress, or five cents per mile, and frequently this will not cover the bare cost of the consul's individual fare, not to mention that of transporting his wife, family, and possibly chattels, to his post of duty. However, there is a disposition in the business world to ask that Congress show more liberality to the Consular Service, which is largely instrumental in building up our immense foreign trade of over four billions of dollars a year.

BOOSTING FOREIGN TRADE.

The foreign trade of Great Britain is about five billions of dollars a year, and that of the United States is gaining on it steadily. In the promotion of the export business of this country the State Department has accomplished a great deal, mostly through the consular service and the President is desirous of extending it to a further degree. He has approved of a proposition to establish a corps of consular agents at foreign capitals, with the idea that they shall work in conjunction with the consuls. If the right kind of men shall be sent abroad this plan will prove of great advantage to American exporters. Germany probably has the best system of this kind at present, and her foreign trade is going ahead by leaps and bounds.

Since the Consular Service was put under civil service regulations, it has greatly improved, and a better class of men has been sent to foreign countries. Some of the older consuls probably ought to be removed for the good of the service, but on the other hand, Congress should provide some form of retirement for consuls, who receive but a modest rate of pay and can hardly keep up the appearance demanded of them by the Government and lay aside anything on which to retire. They should be treated as well as the Army and Navy, at least.

TRADE AGENCIES ABROAD.

American trade agencies have been formed abroad, one of the first of these being the American Chamber of Commerce in Paris, founded in 1894. Since then other similar organizations have been formed at Berlin, Naples, Constantinople and one is proposed for Rio de Janeiro.

The study of foreign commerce is both interesting and profitable. This country furnishes three-fourths of the raw cotton grown in the entire world, yet the biggest trade in cotton cloths is enjoyed by such countries as England, Germany, France, and, to a growing extent, Japan. Still, apples from Oregon, Maine and New York are sold in every capital in Europe. The dried fruits and nuts of the Pacific Coast are shipped all over the world, the tobacco of Maryland is supplied to the smokers of France, and the radium ores of the United States form the principal source of supply for the radium of the world. Distance is growing to be less and of a bar to commerce. When the Panama Canal is opened in 1915 it will have become still less of an obstacle, and new trade routes via Panama will be opened to the greater part of the world's shipping.

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WASHINGTON IS MYSTIFIED

Wilson Still Thinks Huerta Will Retire—Hale's Break with Carranza Renews Dictator's Hope of Remaining—Can't Defer Longer.

Washington, Nov. 20.—When it became known that the British government had ordered three warships to Mexican waters something akin to a sensation was caused in Washington, and it is certain that this unexpected step has great significance. It was only on October 28 that the Secretary of State announced that Great Britain, France and Germany had been asked by the United States to take no action in Mexico until they heard further from the United States, and that each of those countries had agreed to do this.

It was definitely understood at the time that Secretary Bryan approached these European countries because of activity which he believed to be threatened. There was certainly much evidence of European dissatisfaction over the course the United States was following, and it was expected that the representation made to Europe by Mr. Bryan would be followed by some definite action.

Such, however, has not been the result, and consequently the dispatching of British warships to Mexican waters, hitherto sedulously avoided by British ships, arouses comment and speculation. The speculation extends even to the conclusion that the British government is tired of American inactivity and has decided to look after its own interests in Mexico without deferring to President Wilson's policy, or to the prestige America is supposed to have in Latin American affairs.

President Wilson has some reason to believe that before long Victoriano Huerta, dictator of Mexico, will retire from the office to which he so tenaciously clings in utter defiance of the wishes of this government. Therein lies the reason for the optimism which has pervaded official circles in the face of bad news from unofficial sources in Mexico City.

Despatches from Mexico City indicate that Huerta is more determined than ever to ignore the demands made by the United States. He will not resign the presidency and both his cabinet and the new Mexican congress are expected to lend their approval to his defiance.

CANAL MAY DISAPPOINT

British Shipbroker Does Not Look for Great Trade Increase at First.

London, Nov. 20.—Howard Houlder, of Messrs. Howard Houlder and Partners, shipbrokers, in an inaugural address at the Institute of Shipbrokers, said the opening of the Panama Canal might lead to a result exactly the opposite to what apparently some of the large lines expected, in so far as they were adding to their tonnage on the score of increased traffic when the canal opened.

It seemed to him that the question was one of population on the other side of the canal and that they were not going to have any great increase in the volume of trade until the Pacific coast, both north and south, had a very much larger population than it had at present.

MILLIONS IN FRISCO DEALS

Profits of Failed Road's Officials in Syndicates Disclosed at Commerce Board Inquiry.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 20.—Albert T. Perkins, railway expert of the St. Louis Union Trust Company, on the stand in the Interstate Commerce Commission's investigation of the St. Louis & San Francisco railway, flatly contradicted the testimony of Benjamin F. Yocum, Chairman of the Frisco Board of Directors, that promises were not made to promoters of subsidiary companies that the Frisco would take over the properties.

GOETHALS NOT FOR DAYTON

Engineer Says He Won't Consider Any Offer Until the Panama Canal is Finished.

Panama, Nov. 20.—Colonel George W. Goethals, chief engineer of the Panama Canal, has received the offer of the Dayton city management. He replied, when asked about it, that his one desire was to finish the canal, and that he would wait here before considering anything else. He is desirous of perfecting a permanent organization, and says that after that is done it will be time to consider other fields.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By E. O. SELLERS, Director of Evening Department, The Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.)

LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 30

CROSSING THE JORDAN.

LESSON TEXT.—Joshua 3:7-17. GOLDEN TEXT.—Fear thou not for I am with thee.—Isa. 41:10.

The spies sent out by Joshua (ch. 2) were animated by quite a different motive than that which governed those who first visited Canaan, and they brought back a much different report (Num. ch. 13). The story of their experience in Jericho with Rahab, their escape from her house, and the incident of the "scarlet thread," will prove an interesting introduction for today's lesson. There are two suggestions in the preparation for the crossing of the Jordan mentioned in the first seven verses of this chapter: (1) It was to be an orderly advance (v. 4); no disorderly crowding about those who led. This was also to be a sure path, though they had not passed that way before, for God was leading. (2) It was to be a prayerful advance (v. 5). Literally, they were to "undertake great things for God and to expect great things from God."

Jesus Must Lead. I. The Leader, vv. 7, 8. The circumstances surrounding this episode are far different from those at the crossing of the Red sea. Moses' encounter with Pharaoh had stamped him as the one who should save the nation. True, in the battles and in his association with Moses Joshua had occupied a position of leadership, but now he is to deliver Israel from the death of the wilderness into the life and possessions of Canaan, hence the words, "I will magnify thee in the sight of all Israel." It is noticeable, however, that Joshua did not lead this forward march, but rather the priests. The ark which they bore is a type of Christ and he must always lead. Jehovah magnified Joshua because Joshua had magnified Jehovah, see I. Sam. 2:30, John 17:4, 5.

II. Those Led, vv. 9-13. Joshua at once communicates Jehovah's order for a forward march to the people (I. Thess. 2:13). But God graciously accompanies his word by a visible manifestation of his presence (v. 10, 11) cf. I. John 1:1, Col. 2:9. It was the word and presence of the "living God" (v. 10) that was to work this miracle, and to accomplish the victorious possession of the land in accordance with his own sure promise.

This lesson is a great lesson of types. God, through the leading of his priests bearing the ark (a type of Christ), leads man from the failures of his wilderness experience, through death (the Jordan), into newness of life (Canaan), Rom. 6:4, 9. Previously the mention of the names of these enemies (v. 10) had so frightened Israel that they turned aside in a panic, but Israel had been learning in the bitter school of discipline and failure. "The Lord of all the earth" (v. 11) is to lead, why then fear? There was, however, to be a test, viz., the path was not to open until their feet were in the waters. There was no such test at the Red sea, for they did not then have sufficient faith. I. Cor. 10:13, I. Peter 1:7.

Israel's One Way.

III. The Dry Ground, vv. 14-17. Up until the moment they stepped into the water, priest and people alike relied upon the bare word of Jehovah, I. Sam. 15:22. We, too, will surely find a way of escape if we yield him implicit obedience, Isa. 43:2; I. Cor. 10:13. As if to heighten this miracle we need to remember it was the season of flood tide (v. 15). The river Jordan is a great type of the judgment passed upon sin. Verse sixteen tells us that the waters were backed up beyond "the city of Adam." Our Joshua delivers not only us from all sin but his deliverance is also sufficient for the whole human race, Heb. 9:28, I. John 1:7. Our deliverance is complete, let us praise him. The Jordan would not, however, have opened had those bearing the ark paused upon the bank. The people could not have been delivered except as the ark remained in the river bed. Jesus went into the waters for us, 2 Cor. 5:21; Gal. 3:13. He has condemned sin for us, Rom. 8:3. He alone has opened a pathway for our deliverance. There was no other way whereby Israel could be delivered and further they were delivered "right against Jericho" (v. 16) viz., before their next big task, and "all the nation were passed clean over Jordan" (v. 17), John 17:12.

Representatives of each tribe (ch. 4) carried from the river twelve stones for the building of an altar so that the history of that deliverance might be perpetuated. IV. The Lesson. In this lesson we are brought, in company with Israel, into the land at last. Abraham saw and believed. Jacob and his sons left it when threatened with moral contamination and physical death. Much has happened since that time, but God's purposes have gone on unchanged. Nor has Jehovah ever been defeated. Israel is delivered because in the language of Ps. 114:2, "Judah became his sanctuary, Israel his dominion." Note how Ps. 114:3 united forty years of history, "The sea saw it and fled; Jordan was driven back." This is the history of Israel.

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Nov. 22, 1913, J. F. NAUGLE, P. M.

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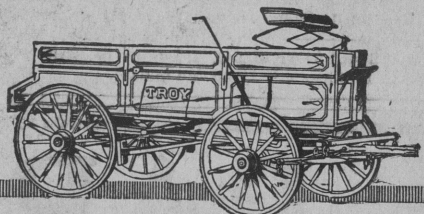
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Fashions and Fads.

The smartest tailored costumes emphasize the belted coat.

Nearly everything in hats for little girls is in mushroom shape.

Afternoon costumes are trimmed with figured velvet in odd designs.

Collars and muffs are made of net and chiffon, combined with fur.

Lusterless materials are the only appropriate ones for deep mourning.

Amber beads are used to good purpose on many of the new gowns.

Bright green and pink is a color combination now favored by fashion.

Draped models fitting in loose lines are rivaled by the belted style.

The influence of the Russian blouse on the new suits is very strong.

A touch of black is always in place to give point to a white garment.

Collar and coat cuffs in white may be made of chambray cloth or peau de sude.

In mourning, simplicity should be the keynote. When elaborate, it is bad taste.

White ermine stoles are finished with chenille fringe formed of lengths of white chenille cord about four inches long.

Some of the new long sleeves have small buckles at the wrist to hold the fullness of the frill snugly in place about the wrist.

Many blouses have simulated waist-coats of figured silk, brocaded velvet, or chiffon extending in points below the waistline.

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