

"TERRIBLE DANGER" TO BRITAIN IS IN SIGHT.

Lord Roberts Points Out the Weakness in Present Situation.

Lord Roberts has corrected certain misconceptions that obtained currency regarding his views as to imperial defense and at the same time again vigorously pressed home his oft repeated warnings of Great Britain's unpreparedness. He says in part:

"A moment's reflection will show the vast difference between the position of Germany, with which I was dealing, and that of England today. While Germany, owing to her rapidly expanding population and vast economic development, is impelled to look for means of expansion in a world which is already for the most part parceled out, we, on the other hand, do not require or seek another square mile of dominion.

"Our object must be to develop the resources of our empire commercially, industrially and socially. But in order to be able to do so we must be in a position to defend ourselves successfully against aggression and so to remove the temptation which a wealthy but ill defended empire must always offer to a strong and virile people proud of its achievements and conscious of its fitness to fill a greater place amid the nations.

"My whole speech was directed, therefore, as are all my efforts, to impressing upon my fellow countrymen the terrible danger which is involved in the present situation, in which we alone find ourselves, as a nation, untrained, unorganized and unarmed, amid a Europe in which every people, not only great powers like Russia, Germany and France, but the smaller states—Bulgaria, Servia, Greece, Norway, Sweden and Denmark—stand as armed nations, providing a balance of forces which, while it strengthens each one of them physically and industrially, makes for peace with honor or for the triumph of the right."

HATPIN MENACE TO GO.

Steel Barbs to Be Made to Measure in the Future.

Has the hatpin question been finally solved? It depends upon the user. Woman, if she will, can in future wear the hatpin "of blameless life."

Small machines will soon be in use in the west end shops in London which will bring emancipation to long suffering man from the menace of the protruding hatpin. Their mission in life is to cut off the odd inches of pointed steel which threaten man with blood poisoning or blindness.

In the future hatpins will be "cut to measure." Whenever a woman buys a new hat, whether of the cartwheel, two yards round variety or a skittish pill box toque, she will be supplied with hatpins to fit, made while she waits.

In the past hatpins were made only in one or two sizes, six or nine inches long, as the case might be. Now all this is to be altered. The shopper buys her hat, and the saleswoman, with the aid of her beneficent gullotine, clips the hatpin to the exact size. With just a twist a new point is turned; another twist and the pin is polished, ready for use, protruding only the fraction of an inch.

HER DIRE PREDICTIONS.

Mme. de Thebes Says Pope Will Die and Prince of Wales Will Reign.

Mme. de Thebes, the well known prophetess, whom Frenchwomen consult on the future and who was a friend of General Boulanger, Dumas fils and other celebrities, has brought out her 1913 almanac, which is always a Parisian event. The prophetess foretells a series of ominous events for next year, among them being:

The marriage of the queen of Luxembourg, which will astound the world, damaging France's interests politically. Paris will be the scene of a terrible theater fire.

The French troops will rush to the frontier.

The German emperor may come to Paris, but not as a king.

The pope will die.

Italy will witness a political upheaval and perhaps a new king.

The Prince of Wales will reign.

Poland will be freed.

Bulgaria will play a stupendous role in Europe.

Nineteen hundred and thirteen, taken as a whole, will be a bloody year.

THE "TRIANGULAR SMILE."

Helps Show Diamond Teeth of London's Smart Women.

No woman is suitably equipped now for any of London's smart functions unless she has contorted her face into what is known as the "triangular smile." This "expression" is supposed to represent simplicity and innocence! It is formed by lifting the center part of the top to form the apex of a triangle, the lower lip then representing the base.

The upper teeth are thereby revealed, and some women are wearing tiny rosebud diamonds in their teeth.

Hunger Spreads Leprosy.

A new contributory cause to the spread of leprosy is advanced by W. M. Danner, American secretary of the international mission to lepers in India and the east. "Samuel Higginbotham, one of our missionary workers, has discovered that leprosy is most frequent among those peoples who never have enough to eat," declares Dr. Danner.

CLEANING UP THE ROUGH SPOTS IN PORTO RICO FOR UNCLE SAM

Colonel George Shanton Discredits Reported Insult to Old Glory. How the Island Terror, Pomales, Was Captured in Exciting Gun Play.

COLONEL GEORGE R. SHANTON, who cleared up the canal zone of bad men, revolutionists and other undesirables, is again back in the States after having made orderly Porto Rico, where he was chief of the insular police. Shanton is a fine type of the adventurous American and his life for the last twenty-eight years has taken him into activities where gun play is almost a casual happening. For the last ten years he has been a most valuable aid to Uncle Sam in straightening out difficult problems away from home.

As a youth Shanton went west from New York and became a cow puncher and plainsman in Wyoming and Montana. When the rough riders were being formed he got together eighty-four cowboys and took them to Washington and later went to Cuba as captain of Troop C. in the Second regiment of United States volunteer cavalry. He remained in Cuba four years, assisting after the war in organizing the Cuban rurales. Then Roosevelt sent him to Panama in 1904 to be chief of police in the canal zone. After five years of successful work at Panama he was sent to Porto Rico to take charge of the work of preserving law and order there.

"Our police force consists practically of a constabulary of 1,000 men," said Colonel Shanton. "The island is divided into sixty-six districts, with the same number of captains or chiefs at their head. All police matters are handled directly from the headquarters in San Juan, and we control the cities and the inland country. We have 'comfrontas,' or patrols, and we have 100 mounted men. I have introduced into Porto Rico the traffic policeman on horseback, who is stationed in the suburbs, and he is a great success."

"All of the police are Porto Ricans, with one exception. There used to be a great many Americans on the force, but now the only one is the chief of detectives.

No Election Disturbance.

"As an illustration of the efficiency of the corps I may mention that the elections in Porto Rico were pulled off without a disturbance, which anybody who has been in a Latin-American country at such a time might consider exceptional. As for the report that an American flag was pulled down at Arroya and trampled upon, that, I think, was a misrepresentation. It is true that the Unionists won all the seats in the legislature except one, but they are devoted to the flag.

"When I went to Porto Rico I found a semimilitary body of police, which I changed as quickly as possible into a metropolitan force. I took away the military feature. For instance, a policeman would never help an old lady across the street or take care of a drunken man. He would always call a peon to do this for him. Now a policeman will help anybody across the street, and he is courteous. I have tried to enforce the American idea of what a policeman should be.

"I work three months in San Juan, and then I get out my automobile and spend fifteen days covering some 1,500 or 1,600 miles in a tour of inspection.

"The governor of Porto Rico has inaugurated such an excellent system of co-operation on the part of prosecuting attorneys, district and municipal judges and clerks that justice is never delayed, and cases are disposed of promptly. This helps to make the work of the police effective. It used to be the case that appeals in endless number were taken, but Federal Judge Charlton has changed all that since he has been there.

After Old Outlaws.

"After I had things cleared up a bit down there I decided to go after professional criminals, who had been escaping unpunished.

"One of the most notorious of these cases was that of Pedro Ferrer Pomales, a famous outlaw, who had escaped from the penitentiary sixteen times in the last twenty years. He had murdered some eight or nine peons and 'queridas,' or sweethearts, of his. The records before 1893 were in such confusion that it was impossible to tell what he had done before that, but on April 23 of that year the body of Thomas McDonald of Boston, a mining prospector, was found in a shack near Guayama terribly mutilated. There were twenty-eight machete wounds on it, and the motive had undoubtedly been robbery, because McDonald had been working a very rich mine and was known to have taken out large quantities of ore.

Bandit Terrorized Island.

"Suspicion fell on Pomales, his brother Jose and Jose Ayala. The guardia civil in an investigation found that the three had recently been released from prison and had been seen in the neighborhood the evening before McDonald's body was found. From that time until 1904 Pomales played hide and seek, first with the guardia civil and then with the insular police. He committed many revolting crimes, but he escaped from the police always, and

the terror he inspired in the country folk kept them from denouncing him. In 1905, however, he was sentenced to six years for murderous assault.

"While everybody else was celebrating the Fourth of July in 1906 Pomales broke jail again and was not caught until the following Christmas. He was again sentenced, with nine months added. He celebrated Nov. 13, the following year, by escaping again, but was caught three days later in Arroya. The following May he got out again and remained at large until November. He broke out again in January and remained free during the most of 1909. In December we locked him up again, but toward the end of the summer of 1911 he took French leave and was soon terrorizing everybody in the district between Coamo and Salinas, a region thirty miles square. He had armed himself with two forty-fours, and he committed all sorts of outrages. He exacted tribute from the residents and held them under terror.

Capture of the Man Killer.

"Well, last March he was reported as being particularly active in the mining district where Peter Nelson lives, and the rumor was that he was 'laying' for Nelson. It seemed time to go after him and get him right. So I detailed Dario Suarez, a detective, and Hadlock and Vasquez, two very efficient policemen, to go into the mountains and bring him back dead or alive. The neighborhood where he was working was right near Jagome Alto, where the governor has his summer home, and as Governor Colton stays there a great deal alone at night I felt things were not safe for him.

"The three men reached at daylight an intersection of roads where Pomales had the habit of passing. Nelson had informed us that the outlaw was living with his 'querida' near a fort in the Carmen mountains, the 'querida' tending a little banana patch around the place. It was Pomales's custom every morning to walk over to a fork of the mountains from which he could see all the country about and then plan his day's program.

"The officers stationed themselves in the fort, and shortly afterward along came Pomales, looking about sharply as if suspecting an ambush. When he got within a few feet of Suarez the latter jumped out and ordered him to throw his hands up. Pomales's reply was a bark from each of his '44's' and a yell that he would never be taken alive.

"One bullet went through Suarez's side, but did not find a vital spot. Hadlock carried one of the short guns of the insular police, and without waiting he unloADED into the desperado, but not before Pomales had put a bullet through his left arm. The outlaw kept pumping lead at one or the other of the policemen until he had emptied his revolvers. The policemen, however, had jumped in upon him, and the last shots went wild.

"They put Pomales upon a litter and, with the aid of peons, got him to Guayama, where he confessed his crimes, among them the details of the murder of McDonald sixteen years before. He told how he and his confederates had piled boards loose from the floor of McDonald's shack, waited until the miner was asleep and then entered through the floor, taken their victim out and run their machetes into him every few minutes to make him tell where his money was.

"Pomales died the next day."

MINUTE "MOVIES" OF THE NEWS RIGHT OFF THE REEL.

Russian prince in London died from swallowing his false teeth.

Count Zeppelin offers an aerial alibi. It wasn't his airship that hovered over the English coast.

Mrs. Fannie Sieger of New York says her husband raised such a row when he lost a collar button she had to leave the house.

The oldest human being in the world is said to be Chief Fire Maker, a Black-foot Indian, who is in his one hundred and thirty-second year.

The Rev. Arthur H. Carpenter has resigned the pastorate of the Cromwell (Conn.) Baptist church and immersed himself in business as a bill collector.

He kissed her only once, and that was in a kissing contest at a party, is the defense of a man sued in Justice Bijur's court, New York, for breach of promise.

ROUND THE GLOBE

In Turkey the mourning color is violet. New York's annual food bill totals \$644,863,440.

A St. Louis man has made \$64,000 as a rag picker.

There are 6,500,000 farms in the United States.

New Zealand has 233 dailies, weekly and monthly periodicals.

The climate of South Africa is remarkably even and sunny.

China has sixty-four treaty and other ports open to foreign trade.

Forty per cent of all Italians over the age of six cannot read or write.

Silver from sea water is often found deposited on the copper sheathing of ships.

In China as well as the Philippines the demand for lumber exceeds the supply.

Scotland has a total population not much more than half that of Greater London.

Experiments in dry farming, according to the American method, are being made in Brazil.

Throughout the world there are over 6,000,000 members of trade unions in various nations.

Home economics is to be made compulsory in the primary schools of Saxewelm, Germany.

Cyprus, under a convention of 1878, pays an annual tribute of £92,800 to the sultan of Turkey.

Chicago is to have an institute of osteopathy, to be named after Andrew Still, founder of the science, and to cost \$1,000,000.

The practically barren Hawaiian island of Lanai will be reclaimed by a water conservation scheme and devoted to sugar beet culture.

The Germans are doing a great road building work in Africa, and at no distant date the possessions of that country in the dark continent will be in touch with each other by motor routes.

That all officers of the navy need not be graduates of Annapolis has again been demonstrated in the promotion of L. B. Ford, chief machinist of the Baltimore, and L. M. Linsley, machinist of the Iowa, to the rank of ensign.

Edward Jenks, an eminent London barrister and legal writer, has performed the difficult task of compressing within the limits of a moderate volume the entire history of English law from the earliest times to the end of the year 1911.

The American Medical association is to make a study of methods of resuscitation from electric shocks. Many eminent physicians and electrical engineers are to co-operate in the investigation, which it is hoped will have important practical results.

There are over a thousand factories in the city of Barcelona and the surrounding towns. Electric power is being brought from as far as the Pyrenees, and a company with \$25,000,000 capital—mostly foreign—has been formed to exploit the abundant water power in Catalonia.

Russia is to have a north pole expedition of its own, under the command of Captain Seedow, who proposes proceeding in a ship to Franz Josef Land and to go thence by sled over the ice to Greenland by way of the pole. Any solid ground he may find near the pole he will name Nicholas II. Land.

Lieutenant General Sir Robert Baden-Powell, who has returned to London after a journey around the world in the interests of the boy scout movement, says the authorities in Japan are making a close study of the movement with a view to its adoption for educational purposes.

In addition to the old foes of the grapevine, a new one appeared in France during the wet weather of the past summer. It became known as the quick rot. A vine attacked soon had its branches die, its shoots shrivel and its clusters dry up. The disease spread with terrible rapidity.

Complaints are heard on all sides in the French capital that tomatoes, melons, cucumbers, squashes—practically everything except potatoes—have in Paris become luxuries still beyond the reach of the vast multitude of working people whose daily earnings do not exceed 80 cents to \$1.

The system of payment by checks is gaining ground in Serbia, but until now there have been no legal provisions governing such payments. The Belgrade chamber of commerce has undertaken to draw up an outline bill for the government in order to secure legal regulation of the check system.

Floating baths near great cities are now condemned by sanitary authorities. The vast quantities of sewage that are discharged into the waters that usually border such cities are thought to be productive of disease to bathers and certainly render their abutments of doubtful value as a cleansing agency.

Owing to the fact that no coal is mined in Switzerland and that the government has control of the abundant water power, it is likely that the railways of the country will be electrified. A beginning is to be made in the St. Gothard route. It is estimated that the cost of the conversion of the entire government system would be about \$14,000,000.

Georgia's most famous orchard, the largest of its kind in the world, containing 225,000 bearing peach trees, has just been cut down and burned to make room for a cotton plantation, which the owners of the property believe they can operate at greater profit. The grove was located at Americus, fifty miles from Macon. It was known as the Bagley orchard.

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