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The Nile and the Euphrates Dresses for the Pageant

After the Nile the Euphrates. Both are to dammed, and both by England.

Sir John Jackson, the engineer and contractor, has just signed a contract with the Turkish Government for the construction of the dam at the Hindia section of the Euphrates, with the expected result that Mesopotamia will again become one of the most fertile regions of the world.

This new Turkish irrigation plan is based upon the recommendation of Sir William Willcocks. This involved the irrigation of over 3,000,000 acres at an estimated cost of \$37,000,000.

Since the submission of that scheme in 1908 a large staff of engineers has been at work studying the ground and studying the conditions, with the result that new plans of a more limited scope were prepared and approved by the Turkish Government.

The damming of the head the Hindia canal forms part of the new scheme. The canal is an ancient years has followed, a preference to its own bed, with disastrous consequences.

The original Euphrates, passing through Babylon, is now quite dry in summer, all the water flowing down the canal except a flood time. Cultivation on the Euphrates banks has therefore been almost abandoned, the population having migrated across country to the Hindia canal. The canal, however, never being, been meant to contain the whole of the Euphrates, has become badly waterlogged, and much good land has become swamp.

The Turks have been trying for years to construct a barrage which would force part of the water back into the bed of the Euphrates and permit regulation of the tow in the canal, but without success. Sir William Willcocks's engineers succeeded in filling up the space between the two arms of the barrage, only to find the structure breached at another point when the water came down in flood. Completion of this scheme will have the important result of restoring prosperity to the banks of the Euphrates, and of greatly improving the conditions along the length of the canal.

Of the ten thousand on more costume required for the pageant there are nearly seven thousand already completed work with necessitated a staff of over 200 workers being engaged practically night and day during the past 12 months. All the material employed in the manufacture is of the finest quality, and all the principals, (and there are many hundreds of them), will be clad in the finest satins, silks, and richest velvets, compatible with the dignity of the characters they are impersonating.

It will thus be seen that the cost of dressing the pageant alone is a very big item of expenditure for the dresses range in price from two pounds to thirty guineas, the latter price having been paid for the part of Queen Elizabeth.

Another important item is the armour for the Knight. It is doubtful whether there is sufficient

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available armour in the country for the hundreds of characters that will be thus clad in the pageant so it was decided to manufacture special suits for the occasion. In order to do this a special armoury has been established at the Crystal Palace, where no fewer than 80 workmen are busily engaged in turning out the mail armours. The chain another big item in itself, has been contracted out.

These are only a few of the facts and figures connected with the staging and dressing of the Pageant of London. There are a thousand and one other minor details, all more or less important in themselves.

To entertain colonials

Troops Will Visit the Festival of Empire

Says the London "Times" of a recent date.

Good progress is being made by the Committee of the Colonial Troops' Entertainment Fund in the preparation of their plans. It is expected that some 2,000 men will come to London for the Coronation and will stay in England for about three weeks.

The number of the contingents are, of course, not yet definitely fixed, nor is it yet certain whether Australia and New Zealand will be represented at all, the expense of transportation being apparently the chief obstacle. Both Governments have, indeed, announced that they will send no troops, but there is reason to believe that these decisions will be reconsidered; even if they are reaffirmed, something may be done by means of private subscriptions to avert a situation in which all the parts of the Empire would be represented by troops except Australia and New Zealand. In regard to the offer of King Edward's Horse to take the place of Commonwealth troops in the Coronation Procession, the Australian Government has as yet made no reply, and this fact may be taken as a favourable sign.

The Committee of the Colonial Troops' Entertainment Fund hope to raise £5,000 for their purposes. Yesterday they received, in addition to the subscriptions already announced, £50 from the Duke of Bedford and a promise of £105 from the Fishmonger's Company. Arrangements are being made for a visit of the troops to the Festival of Empire, and they will, of course, also visit Windsor, Woolwich, and Portsmouth; it is probable also that at least one provincial town will be given an opportunity of entertaining the colonial visitors.

Radium Will Supersede Coal

New York.—Scientists will soon make the problem of the conservation of the world's coal a dead issue, according to Dr. A. H. Bucherer, Professor of Physics in the University of Bonn, Germany, who is in this country for a series of lectures before scientific bodies. Radium, Dr. Bucherer believes will supersede coal as the source of the world's energy and heat.

Operations of Recruiting Agents

The "Voice of Dominica" says: In the face of the very recent allotment of over seven hundred loyal British subjects from their native island, to wit, St. Kitts and Nevis, by the American United Fruit Co. of Costa Rica by the offer of a dollar and a half per day as the wages they would earn, but which promise turned out to be false and made use of by the recruiting agent of the above company for the sim-

ple reason of glutting the labour market of Costa Rica, which when discovered by these unfortunate loyal subjects of His Majesty King George V, almost terminated in bloodshed; we say the time has arrived that the Government of the Leeward Islands should legislate for safeguarding against a repetition of this sort of befouling of Leeward Islands by these sorts of money hunters.

Held For Bigamy

London.—An alleged bigamist, Felix Franz Alfred Ogilvie, who describes himself as a German engineer, is on trial here, charged with having a multiplicity of wives and with defrauding his victims of considerable money and jewels. These illegal marriages, it is alleged, have already been established.

According to the evidence thus far introduced, Ogilvie began his matrimonial adventures in San Francisco, where on July 3, 1905, he married a widow of the name of Louth. In a more recent case, it is asserted, he took his bride to a hotel, and on the day following their marriage dragged her and then left with her jewels and money. To a third victim he is accused of having represented himself as an engineer employed by the Standard Oil Company at an annual salary of 30,000 dollars.

Canterbury Convocation

Address Presented to His Majesty King George Fifth

And Reply Given At Buckingham Palace On Thursday

London.—Expressing confidence that the prayers of the Church will aid him in conducting the affairs of State, His Majesty replied to the convocation address of the Archbishop of Canterbury. He said:

"It will always be my endeavour with God's help to maintain and consolidate the foundations of public and private virtue which you labour to preserve, and on which the welfare of my people rests. The knowledge that prayers are offered unceasingly by the Church in my behalf strengthens me and increases my trust that the Almighty will bestow blessings in the fullest measure in the solemn hour of my Coronation and throughout whatever length of years. He may be pleased to grant me."

Agitation For Bigger Navy

Forty Dreadnoughts Within Next Six Years

London.—Alarmed by the naval activity of Germany, and the agitation among other Powers for greater marine armaments, British imperialists are formulating the most imposing programme for battleship construction introduced in Parliament in a decade.

Deposite the grave constitutional crisis and momentous national questions before Parliament the Imperialists are fully prepared to push vigorously their measures for the construction of perhaps forty Dreadnoughts within the next six years. The exponents for greater sea power want to gi-

ve England supremacy even at the expense of £100,000,000.

Leaders in the ranks of the Imperialists act for the letting of six contracts within the next year, pointing out that both Austria and Russia are enlarging their navies, while in the Far East Japan is building more battleships and China is negotiating contracts.

Rear-Admiral Sir Sydney Eardley Wilmut, one of the ablest of the officers England's Navy possesses, is strenuously working on behalf of the vast programme speaking and writing in favour of more Dreadnoughts.

Current News.

The United Fruits Company steamship "Heredia" will sail for Colon 5 o'clock this afternoon, taking mails and passengers.

The s. s. "Maniste" is expected to arrive from Manchester tomorrow morning. She comes in ball ballast and will be consigned to the United Fruit Company.

It was rumored around town yesterday that two employees of the biggest company operating here made themselves scarce and that cash to the amount of several thousand dollars is discovered short.

The s. s. "Origen," of the U. F. Co's Line sailed in port about 10 o'clock yesterday morning from Mobile. No passengers come on her. She brought general cargo. She will sail today for Columbia, U. S. A. via Santa Marta.

The chair coach that was attached to the passengers train yesterday was well patronized, the tourists that came by the U. F. Co's steamer "Heredia" seized the opportunity of visiting the capital. They were just in time to catch the outgoing train when they landed.

The "Heredia," from New Orleans via Puerto Barrios came into port late on Monday night and landed the following passengers yesterday morning. From New Orleans: Antonio Falla, E. R. Fraser, N. Turpin, C. Pemberty, J. W. Smith, E. M. Smith, W. F. G. Robles, Fern Barrios: B. C. Duffie, Mrs. Ernest A. Padilla and child, Miss Flora Padilla and 1 decker and 30 tourists in transit. She also brought 54 sacks mails.

The Hamburg American Line steamer Prinz Joachim sailed last night for New York via Kingston, Jamaica. She carried a good many first class passengers, but for some reason or other no second class tickets were sold. The number of deckers embarked fell short of the usual number. The following is the list. For New York: Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Aguilar, Ruben Castro, and servant, Halis White, R. Rohrig. For Kingston: Mrs. Dolores Zeller, Miss Luz Zeller. For Colon: Juan Macaya, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ship, Miss Virginia Ship, John Judge, W. C. Rolland, John F. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brachad, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey, Dare Evelin, Arthur Trappale, Bernard Daly, Myron Orton, Norman Orton, Clarence Orton, Bernice Potter, Miss Jean Job, Charles Stewart, Henry Harris,

Larrence Watson, David Alvarado, Louis Cerdes, Henry Hamble, Bailes Newton, Alvin Alton, Manoel Campo, Leopold Botano, Horace Lopez, Miss Antonia Agusta, C. Hogan, Charles Misser James Bass, Edward Harker, Edwards, Itoacio Castro, Mrs. Joseph R. Johnson and 2 children, Miguel Ballestra and 29 peckers for Kingston and 4 for Colon. She also carried the following cargo: 187,000 bunches bananas, 11,818 sacks coffee, 1,136 bags sugar, 117 sacks cocoa, 47 bundles hide and 4 cases rubber.

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March, 14th 1911

Dear Editor,
Please insert the following in your valuable paper "The Times" "The Friends and well-wishers here of the Salvation Army in Costa Rica, and particularly Port Limon, will be interested to know, the above great Religious and Social Organization have at last definitely purchased outright, the site of land in 3ra. Avenue, Limon. For building purposes, formerly belong to Captain Simonds.

This recent acquisition will put the Army, now in a position to establish permanently in the Republic the World-wide recognized work of spiritual regeneration and social uplifting. Those friends who have already helped forward this movement will now feel they can realize their cherished hopes. Captain and Mrs. Munton, Officers in Charge who landed in the country, some ten months ago with this object in view, also to help forward the building scheme, together, with the co-workers and comrades, are delighted this,—the first part of the matter, is an accomplished fact.

Arrangements are now being made for a speedy advance with the projected building. Most probably the adjutant in charge of the work in Panama will come to help with the stonelaying. It is expected the coming week-end will find Adjutant Cadia, landed whether and circumstances, permitting and he and the officers in charge will arrange the most speedy means for erection of suitable buildings.

It is desired by leading and influential gentlemen to have the work established, straightway, upon social lines as well as spiritual, others desire this too, therefore if contribution are donated to this specific purpose this desired object will be accomplished.

Donations may now be sent, and will be thankfully received by Captain Win. L. Munton.

Forces Enter Tibet

Pekin.—The Viceroy of the province, Tsefo Chuan, bordering on Tibet reports that a Russian force has entered Tibet. It is also reported that a British force has entered Tibet.

W. I. Billiard Tournament

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Governor General The Pageant of Canada of London

LONDON.—As one result of the Duke of Connaught's appointment as Governor-General of Canada, the English newspapers are full of anecdotes dealing with the life and characteristics of this soldier Prince.

He is said to be not only well acquainted with Canada and Canadians, but a great favourite with the Indians, being a member in good standing of the Six-Nations. Over here they say he is "the only white man who enjoys this privilege," and is known to the red men as "Cousin Arthur." In this connection one of the weeklies says:

"A strange gentleman who will no doubt welcome the Duke of Connaught's appointment is an old Indian called 'Bill' Prince. He is especially partial to royalty, and he never fails to put in an appearance when distinguished personages visit his province. His favorite pastime is to run by the side of the royal carriage and shake hands with the occupants. In this manner he has shaken hands with both the present King and the late King Edward."

Limitation of Armaments

Paris.—The Chamber of Deputies continued its discussion of the question of laying down two Dreadnoughts. Two United Socialists occupied the whole morning and evening sessions. The expense of building the ships at arsenals compared with their construction in private yards was asserted and denied, the question of general expense making comparison impossible.

M. Sembat proposed that the Government postpone its decision in the matter until it invited the Powers to negotiate for the simultaneous limitation of armaments. This was negatived by a vote of 352 to 189.

A vague motion that the Government make an effort to have the limitation of armaments placed on the programme of the Hague conference was accepted by a vote of 447 to 56.

The debate will be continued tomorrow.

Plans for Great Festival of Empire at Crystal Palace

Elaborate preparations are now being made for the Pageant of London, which is to be one of the principal features of the forthcoming Festival of Empire, to be held at the Crystal Palace, from May to October next, under the patronage and with the support of His Majesty's Government—a distinction rarely accorded to events of this kind.

The pageant promises to be one of the greatest historical spectacles ever witnessed, for neither money nor pains are being spared in the effort to make the 24 scenes, which are to be enacted accurate representations of events of the various periods selected. The costumes and dresses for this huge undertaking are in themselves a very big item and some idea of the work that is being done in the way of dressing the pageant in the exact mode of the respective periods may be gathered from the fact that there are no fewer than 15,000 performers taking part in the various scenes.

In order that every little detail of the costumes may be absolutely accurate, a research committee was formed, whose duty it was to trace in the various museums and private houses old master pieces and tapestries portraying characters and scenes in stirring times long gone by. Then a large staff of artists, all specialists in this kind of work, was engaged to make copies from the paintings, and from these coloured drawings the designs for the dresses were executed.

Voodooism in Cuba

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—Reports reaching this city are to the effect that Haitian voodooist practitioners have located at a point known as Las Colinas near El Cobre, and doing a thriving business.

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