

should bear the cost of transport of the youth of Britain to Australia, if Britain rears her sons to manhood and then loses their future economic value.

Diplomatic Kaiser.

The wording of the Kaiser's telegram to King Ferdinand, recognising Bulgaria's Independence, has aroused comment owing to the phrase: "Inasmuch as I am informed that Bulgaria undertakes to secure German material interests in the Oriental railway question, I greet you as King."

Neighbourly.

The movement to promote personal friendship between the leading men of Britain and France is progressing. M.M. Delcasse, Doumer, Milcrand, Reinach, Estourville, de Constant, and a number of others, dined at the House of Commons last week, with many of the Liberal and Unionist members of the British Parliament.

Special entertainment committees, numbering 50 each, have been formed in both countries.

ASIA.

Moslem Fanatics.

When the Adana massacres were renewed on April 25 a party of Turkish soldiers and Bushi-bazouks surrounded an Armenian school in which 2000 Armenians had taken refuge.

Volleys were poured in upon the defenceless Armenians, and in a very short space of time the building was ablaze.

Those emerging from the doors were shot as soon as they reached the open, while many of the remainder were incinerated.

The relief committee, under the chairmanship of the American Consul-General, urges an appeal for £10,000 in behalf of the sufferers by the massacres of Adana, Alexandretta, Mersina, Latakia, and Antioch.

The Turkish Parliament has voted £20,000 for the relief of the sufferers in the towns recently devastated by Moslem fanatics in Asia Minor.

The Nationalists now control the following cities—Bashire, Buanderabba, Singah, Urumiah, Shiraz, Hamakki and Jask.

Nationalists from Resht entered Kazoin on the 5th, and defeated the Government garrison, 20 royalists being killed.

Virtue of a Necessity.

The Shah has accepted the friendly advice of Britain and Russia regarding the Constitution, and desires to discuss points in detail.

He has issued a proclamation regarding the Constitution and fixing the elections for July, to be completed by the 19th of that month.

Indian Nationalists.

The trial has been concluded at Alipore of the 33 Bengalis who were arrested in May last on a charge of being implicated in a widespread anarchist conspiracy.

Baren Ghose (brother of Arabindo Ghose, a Cambridge graduate), who confessed to throwing the bomb which killed Mrs Kennedy, and Dutt, who prepared the bombs with which Mrs Kennedy was killed and the lives of others attempted, were sentenced to death, and some of the others to transportation for life or imprisonment ranging from one to ten years.

Arabindo Ghose was acquitted. Judge Beacheroff held that Baren Ghose's confession linked up the Muzaffarpur outrage and the attempts on Sir Andrew Fraser (Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal) and the Mayor of Chandernagore, with the conspiracy for collecting arms for military drill, and making bombs with a wide fire zone, for street fighting, all of which indicated an intention to wage war against the King.

Seven of the prisoners were sentenced to transportation for life. They will probably appeal against the sentence. The Indian Press has reserved its comments on the sentences.

The Nationalists are delighted at the acquittal of Arabindo Ghose. The trial was commenced in October before a judge, assisted by assessors, who reported a fortnight ago. During the trial, the assistant Crown prosecutor, Anantoh Biswas, was shot. Arabindo Ghose, who has been acquitted, is a well-

educated Bengali, who has long been one of the chief directors of the Nationalist movement.

Modern.

The Ameer of Afghanistan has imported several motor-cars from England, and has engaged a chauffeur from London.

Lord Charles Beresford's Advice.

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, speaking at the Liverpool Town Hall, after receiving the degree of Doctor of Laws from the Birmingham University, said that the Committee now sitting on naval defence was as fair a committee as he had ever been summoned before. If they found things not as they should be, which he had no doubt they would, there would be no necessity for a panic or for recrimination. "Let us return," he said, "to the old British style, lay the whole thing on the table, look at it, see where it is wrong, and calmly and quietly put it right without recrimination from parties or individuals."

Later Lord Beresford made a speech at the Southport Physical Training College. He had great faith, he said, in Mr. Asquith's Committee. There would be many points destined to become public which would cause dissatisfaction, but let them bury party and get together to put things right. No party wanted to see the foreigner here. He did not belong to the party in power, but they were taking a national view of naval affairs, and anything he could do to help them he would to the best of his ability.

What had happened was that Britain had deferred her liabilities and obligations, and when an individual or nation does that the money must be got somewhere to put himself or itself right.

AFRICA.

Unrest in Egypt.

The report of Sir Eidon Gorst (British Agent and Consul-General in Egypt) on the condition of Egypt emphasises the signs of political unrest, and the absence of any sign on the part of the non-official classes among the Egyptians of recognition of the advance gained.

Never in recent years, he says, have they displayed a more prejudiced attitude to the proposals and acts of the Government, and especially those they consider due to English inspiration. The only result of the agitation of the small minority would be the postponement of the further instalment of autonomy.

A delegation from the Egyptian General Assembly and Provincial Council recently visited England to put before the Press reforms of a more moderate character than those advocated by the Nationalists, whose demand is complete autonomy. Ismail Abaga Pasha, leader of the party, addressing a gathering in London, said: "You had always the honour of helping the different nations who were struggling for a form of self-government, and your sympathy was with the Russians, Persians and Turks struggling for a constitutional form of government. We therefore appeal with confidence to your support in our desire to obtain a sort of representative House, with limited powers, dealing with administrative, judicial, financial and educational matters, and leaving international treaties, foreign capitalisation, public rights and matters concerning the liquidation law—in a word, all matters in which foreign or international interests are at stake." They were convinced that the whole educational system of Egypt called for reconstruction. He repudiated the suggestions as to a state of religious fanaticism in Egypt, and declared that there was no reason for alarm on the subject.

AMERICA.

Strike at B.A.

The Socialists and the Labour Federation have proclaimed a general strike in Buenos Ayres as a protest against the action of the police in quelling the disturbances which arose during the May-day celebrations.

They demand the resignation of the Prefect of Police.

The port is paralysed, and the strikers are holding up the trams. A body of two thousand troops has been ordered into the city to reinforce the garrison.

Fighting is now proceeding in the streets between the strikers and the military.

There are now 200,000 men out on strike in Buenos Ayres.

When the strikers assembled at the morgue to attend the funerals of their comrades killed in the May Day disturbances, they found that the police had surreptitiously removed the bodies.

A violent demonstration followed, during which the tramcars were attacked.

Welcome.

The R.M.S. Marama, on which a number of the Australian and New Zealand delegates to the Imperial Press Conference crossed the Pacific, has arrived at Victoria from Sydney and Brisbane.

The Canadian Club gave the delegates a warm welcome and entertained them at a banquet.

Canadian Grand Trunk.

The Dominion House of Commons has passed a loan bill of two millions sterling for the Grand Pacific Trunk Railway.

Spread of Wireless.

Wireless telegraph stations have been set up on the roofs of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York, and the Auditorium Theatre annex in Chicago.

Press messages are now being daily exchanged between the two cities.

The Unwritten Law.

The Grand Jury of British Columbia has returned no bill in the case against Lord Sholto Douglas, charged with shooting an intruder in his house, with whom his wife, a former music-hall singer, was carrying on an intrigue, in November last.

Sizable Bag.

Advices received from Mombasa, in British East Africa, state that ex-President Roosevelt has so far shot six lions and his son Kermit one.

East and West.

Ex-President Roosevelt, in an article in the "Outlook," emphasising that it is America's duty to wait and see whether Japan is able to prevent emigration to America of Japanese labourers and small traders in any appreciable numbers, remarks that if not, America must protect herself, either by treaty or legislation. Mr. Roosevelt urges America to continue to build a first-class fighting navy if she wishes to withstand any nation that might choose to disregard her policy concerning immigration, and for the protection of her interests in Panama or her citizens abroad.

All Hands Drowned.

The lake steamer Shores, while crossing Lake Superior, foundered at White Fish Point on the 8th.

Her crew and passengers totalled twenty-one, and all were drowned.

Father Vaughan on the Time to Marry.

Father Bernard Vaughan addressed an overflowing audience in the Blackheath (London) Concert Hall recently on the question "When ought people to marry?" Differentiating between love and passion, the speaker said the former was a sacred fire. While passion might grow cold and die in six months, true love would remain fresh and pure for many years. When a man selected a wife he should not take the step without consultation with God. Before deciding upon marriage a man should feel that he had met a woman whom he could help, and who could help him. In such circumstances a man was thinking of his true mission in life. The girl should be able to make the man a better man, and on his part the man should be able to make the girl a better woman. When a man met a girl who was destined for him he could afford to wait for a suitable opportunity for marrying her, and he would not prejudice her happiness and welfare by a too hasty and ill-considered marriage.

SHARE LIST.

| Paid-up | Liability per share | Company | Last Quotation |
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| 40 0 0 | 40 | National .. | 1 7 6 |
| 20 0 0 | 40 | Australasia .. | 104 0 0 |
| 20 0 0 | 50 | Union of Australia .. | 65 0 0 |
| | 20 | New South Wales .. | 45 10 4 |
| 2 0 0 | 8 | INSURANCE - | |
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| 0 10 0 | 4 | National .. | 1 7 5 |
| 0 15 0 | 4 | South British .. | 2 8 0 |
| | | Standard .. | 1 1 0 |
| 0 10 0 | 9 | FINANCIAL - | |
| 6 0 0 | 15 | N.Z. Loan & Mercantile | 0 4 4 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Dalgety and Co. | 10 10 0 |
| | | Nagley and River Plate | 1 15 3 |
| 0 7 6 | 25 | COAL - | |
| 0 10 0 | Nil | Hikurangi .. | 0 18 0 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Northern Coal Co., Ltd. | 1 12 6 |
| 3 10 0 | 14 | Tauranga Mines .. | 6 10 0 |
| | | Westport .. | 5 7 0 |
| £ 0 0 | Nil | GAS - | |
| 5 0 0 | Nil | Auckland (10% paid) .. | 1 0 6 |
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| 1 0 0 | Nil | Christchurch .. | 9 2 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Dunedin .. | 1 12 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Hamilton .. | 2 10 0 |
| 18 0 0 | Nil | Napier .. | 25 0 0 |
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| 5 0 0 | 6 | " .. | 3 7 6 |
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| 6 0 0 | 14 | Wellington .. | 1 17 0 |
| 4 10 0 | 1 | Palmerston North .. | 7 10 0 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | SHIPPING - | |
| 8 0 0 | Nil | Union Steamship .. | 1 16 4 |
| 0 14 6 | Nil | New Zealand Shipping | 7 2 6 |
| 0 10 0 | 76 | Northern S.S. .. P. U. | 0 12 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Devonport Ferry .. | 1 10 0 |
| 4 0 0 | 1 | WOOLLEN - | |
| 6 0 0 | Nil | Wellington .. | 5 0 0 |
| 3 10 0 | 14 | Kaipoi .. | 5 0 0 |
| | | Mongioi .. | 2 17 0 |
| 1 13 0 | Nil | TIMBER - | |
| 0 15 0 | 18 | K.T. Co. .. | 1 12 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Island O'Brien Co. .. | 0 25 0 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Mountain Range Co. .. | 1 2 0 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Parker-Lamb .. | 1 5 6 |
| 7 10 0 | 24 | MEAT | |
| 10 0 0 | Nil | Christchurch .. | 8 6 0 |
| 6 0 0 | Nil | Canterbury .. | 10 3 0 |
| 2 0 0 | 24 | Wellington Meat Ex. | 6 6 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Gear .. | 4 17 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Wanganui .. | 1 1 6 |
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| 1 0 0 | Nil | MISCELLANEOUS - | |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Auckland Elec. T. Crd. | 1 2 6 |
| 2 0 0 | Nil | New Zealand Drug .. | 1 1 9 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Sharland & Co., Crd. | 1 6 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Union Oil .. | 1 1 0 |
| 0 11 0 | 55 | N.Z. Paper Mills .. | 1 0 3 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | N.Z. Portland Cement | 2 10 0 |
| 1 8 0 | Nil | Wilson's .. | 1 18 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Nil | Progress Mines .. | 1 10 0 |
| 5 0 0 | Nil | Donoghue Hopo .. | 1 10 0 |
| 4 0 0 | 1 | Ward & Co. .. | 4 11 6 |

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| 1 0 0 | Ltd | Waikato | 9 5 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Ltd | North Grand Junction | 2 7 0 |
| 0 18 0 | Ltd | Palisman Consolidated | 2 10 0 |
| 1 0 0 | Ltd | Blackwater Mines | 1 4 3 |
| 1 0 0 | Ltd | Consolidated Goldfields | 0 16 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Ltd | Progress Mines | 0 10 6 |
| 1 0 0 | Ltd | N.Z. Crown Mines | 0 4 6 |

The very favourable season that has been experienced by dairymen everywhere has resulted in a large increase in the production of butter and cheese. Returns received from Wellington show that the increase has been general all over the Dominion. The figures are healthy reading and indicate in no uncertain manner the great value of the dairying industry to the country, and it must not be forgotten that butter and cheese are only its primary products. No credit is given for pigs and calves, which are also valuable adjuncts of the great industry. The total increase over last year's figures for both butter and cheese is £478,081, nearly half a million pounds. The shipment in butter to London alone, shipments to other ports not yet being available, total 530,000 boxes of butter and 248,470 cases of cheese. The value and interest of the returns quoted will be greatly increased when the South African and West of England shipments are made public. Had prices kept up, the increase would, of course, have been much greater, but the above results are eminently satisfactory and reassuring.