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 Watch for Further Particulars
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King Of England Makes Peace Appeal To The Czar Of Russia

London, Aug. 1.—King George to-day threw his full support to the cause of peace. He sent an urgent message to Czar Nicholas of Russia. It was reported in diplomatic circles that the message was an appeal for the Czar to stay his hand and avert the war catastrophe that threatens.

As a member of the triple entente, England may be able to wield an influence that will curb Russia and at the eleventh hour prevent the terrible clash to which all nations have been rushing for a week.

News that Germany had sent an ultimatum to Russia and had demanded from France a statement of her position is believed to have been the cause of King George's action.

London, Aug. 1.—The Daily Telegraph understands that the German ambassador Thursday made a declaration to the French Government which is interpreted as an announcement of his early departure from the French capital.

Paris, Aug. 1.—The "Echo de Paris" says Sir Francis B. B. the British ambassador, went to the Elisee Palace during the meeting of the cabinet and made an important communication. Premier Viviani left the cabinet to receive the ambassador, who afterwards saw President Poincare. The paper says it believes that Great Britain will aid France, if she should be attacked by Germany.

Premier Asquith dashed from his home to Buckingham Palace in an automobile at 2 o'clock this morning, after receiving the latest reports from the Foreign Office. The King had not gone to bed, and the Premier was immediately received. The conference of King and Premier, who is also Minister of War, was brief, and Asquith then returned to his home.

M. Pichon begins an editorial in the Petit Parisien as follows. "The die is cast. We are at war. We have tried every means of conciliation, but we have failed."

The article goes on to say that Germany has acted in a contrary manner towards every proposition for mediation. It adds: "Her declaration of yesterday does not allow any doubt that it is war that Germany wants. Germany demands that Russia shall demobilize in twelve hours, or that she herself will mobilize. Germany then demands to know what France intends to do in the presence of Russian mobilization and insists on knowing to-day in terms which mean that the recall of her ambassador must be expected."

Early to-day official announcement was made that the King had communicated with Emperor Nicholas.

At dawn messengers were dispatched by the Premier to all members of the Cabinet summoning them to an immediate council. As soon as this became known, crowds began to gather about the Premier's office. By the time the first member of the Cabinet had arrived an enormous throng had gathered.

Washington, Aug. 1.—President Wilson received a number of despatches from American diplomatic and consular representatives in Europe on the war situation last night. Ambassador Penfield cabled from Vienna that the situation was growing worse rapidly. He reported that the Emperor had ordered a general mobilization including the Landwehr, which is the third branch of the Austrian reserves. He said that this was the extreme length of military preparations.

London, July 31.—Facing the most perilous epoch in their history since they shivered before the spectre of a Napoleonic invasion, the English people are the calmest nation of Europe. With the exception of a minority of peace advocates, whose voice is hardly heard, and seems to carry little weight, the nation's mind is reconciled to war. The military situation stands where it did last night. The mobilization of the naval forces has been completed, and the army is on a war footing, except for the calling out of the territorials. Machinery for their mobilization needs only a word to be set in motion.

Berlin, July 31.—Official confirmation of the reported blowing up by Russian troops of the railway bridge between Granica, Russian Poland, and Szezakova, in Galicia, on the railroad from Warsaw to Vienna was received to-night.

London, July 31.—The momentous announcement was made by Premier Asquith in the House of Commons to-day that Russia had proclaimed the general mobilization of her army and fleet, and in consequence martial law had been proclaimed in Germany, and a general mobilization in Germany would follow.

London, July 31.—General Bramwell Booth has asked for the prayers of the Salvation Army throughout the world to save the nations from war.

Copenhagen, July 31.—Both the German and English warships were observed to-day in Danish waters. A big German naval fleet was reported to-day off the south of Holland.

Ambassador Herrick sent an equally pessimistic outlook from Paris. He stated that one French bank had closed on failing to meet engagements amounting to \$1,000,000.

From Berlin it was authentically reported that the peace efforts of Germany had resulted in total failure, and that war now seems inevitable.

This decision, together with the ironclad censorship and embargo on news to the press from Vienna, St. Petersburg and Berlin, was regarded as virtual confirmation of the ominous reports of the last 24 hours. Practically all hope has been abandoned of confining the struggle to Austria and Serbia, or even to these two countries and Russia.

London, Aug. 1.—It is reported that the Government has notified the London and Southwestern Railway and the London Chatham and Dover that it might be

necessary to take over their telegraph lines and train service. The London General Omnibus Company has also received notice to be in readiness to hand over its motor buses.

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Piano Contest



Please remember—this is not going to be one of these low grade Pianos which you wouldn't buy at any price (if you were well advised). It is an instrument of the highest quality that is constructed, and is costing us a great deal more than some other pianos which we could have put into this competition just as well as not. You might be surprised to know that we could put in just about two of "the other kind" for what this is costing us. We decided to do this because we are musicians ourselves and want our readers to compare for just such an instrument as we would take pride in owning and using ourselves. We think that the public which we reach will appreciate this fact. Everything else being equal, you would prefer the high grade piano wouldn't you?

You will not have to get your piano out of a catalogue, or from a high flown description, or merely from a newspaper cut, but you can see a piano of exactly the kind we are giving, at the "Dispatch Office, Woodstock. You can examine it and try it. Only this—your piano will be brand new, direct from the Amherst factory, and you will have three different styles of cases to choose from. Inside they are all alike. We want to make this competition something worth working for. Something a little bit different from what a newspaper generally offers.

The "Amherst" is comparatively a new piano, but one of the highest grade pianos made in the Dominion of Canada. The judges at the Toronto Exposition awarded it the best. That is speaking pretty well of a piano made in the Maritime Provinces, isn't it? What more could be said?

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A DELIGHTFUL TRIP TO WESTERN CANADA.

Passengers contemplating a trip to Winnipeg and points west, will find the trip via the Grand Trunk Railway to Sarnia Wharf, Northern Navigation Co. to Fort William and Grand Trunk Pacific Railway to destination, most enjoyable at this time of year. The Palatia steamers of the Northern Navigation Co., Huronic, Harmonic, Armonic and Noronic, running between Sarnia Wharf and Fort William, are noted for their comfort and the excellency of their cuisine.

Trains on the Grand Trunk Pacific from Fort William West, are equipped with Colonist Cars, First-class Coaches, Dining Cars, Standard Sleeping Cars lighted by electricity throughout. For descriptive literature or information regarding rates, Sleeping Car reservations, Berth reservations on the Northern Navigation Co's. steamers, apply to J. H. Corcoran, Travelling Passenger Agent, Grand Trunk Railway System, Moncton, N. B.

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Laskey-Craig.
 A quiet wedding took place at the Windsor Hotel, Hartland, on July 21st, when Clarence Lahey and Sadie Craig were united in marriage. Rev. P. J. Quigg was the officiating clergyman.

Sproul-Billings.
 A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Billings, Central Hainesville, on the evening of July 22nd, when their daughter, Ida, and Frederick Sproul of Howland Ridge, were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. P. J. Quigg, after which they received the good wishes of all the guests present.

Smith-Demerchant.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Demerchant of Honesville, was the scene of a very pleasant affair on Wednesday afternoon, July 15th, when Ad-dington Smith of Wicklow, and Mattie Demerchant were united in holy bonds of matrimony at 3 p. m., in the presence of a large number of invited friends and relatives. Rev. G. A. Giberson of Bath, performed the marriage ceremony. The bride was very tastefully and becomingly attired in white satin with bridal veil. The wedding march was played by Miss Ella Giberson. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will reside in Wicklow.

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H Anderson	75	44	42	86
M Tracey	50	41	44	85
P R Semple	50	42	43	85
A A Rockwell tyro	50	42	38	80
Burt Rockwell	50	43	36	79
John Meed	50	44	34	78
H Tracey	50	48	30	78
J R Jones	50	43	33	76
Major Melville tyro	50	38	37	75

MERCHANT'S MATCH—7 shots.

Best score at 200, 600, 800 yards.

S W Smith, Press 1 year and berry spoon donated by Jas. Gibson, Woodstock.

B C McIsaac, Dispatch 1 year and bread fork donated by Ed Clark, Woodstock.

L P Clark, Sentinel 1 year and braces and armlets donated by J McLaughlan, Woodstock.

H Anderson, Dispatch 1 year and jewelry case donated by H V Dalling, Woodstock.

M Tracey, Press 1 year and gravy spoon donated by W F Dibblee & Son, Woodstock.

R V Clark, Sentinel 1 year and watch fob donated by S W Smith, East Florenceville.

B R Clark, Press 1 year and safety razor donated by C A McKeen, Woodstock.

Burt Rockwell, Press 1 year and pair gloves donated by L. H. London, Bloomfield.

P R Semple, Dispatch 1 year and cup donated by J R Jones, Lakeville.

John Meed, Dispatch 1 year and pocket book donated by F Atherton, Woodstock.

H Tracey, Dispatch 1 year and rifle reflector donated by S. Barter, St. John.

A A Rockwell, Sentinel 1 year and 50 rounds ammunition donated by S Barter, St. John.

J R Jones, Press 1 year and cigar case donated by F H Carle, East Florenceville.

W W Melville, Sentinel 1 year.

Benj Crandiemire, Sentinel 1 year.

J R Jones won dish presented by P R Semple for best score at 200 yards, 3 W Smith won spoon presented by East Florenceville C R A for grand aggregate.

EXTRA SERIES.—200 yards, 5 shots.

B. C. McIsaac	\$1.50	24
J. R. Jones	1.25	24
H. Anderson	92	23
L. P. Clark	92	23
M. Tracey	92	23
A. A. Rockwell	75	23
H. Tracey	59	23
S. W. Smith	50	23
John Meed	25	22
P. R. Semple	25	22
Major Melville	26	21
A. De Grass	25	21

EXTRA SERIES—500 yards, 5 shots.

M. Tracey	\$1.00	25
A. A. Rockwell	100	24
J. R. Jones	75	24
B. C. McIsaac	62	24
P. R. Semple	62	24
L. P. Clark	50	24
S. W. Smith	50	23
John Meed	50	22
B. R. Clark	25	22
H. Tracey	25	22
H. Anderson	25	21
B. Brockwell	25	21
H. Treccartin	25	19
A. DeGrass	25	17

EXTRA SERIES—800 yards, 5 shots. T1

P R Semple	\$1.00	5 5 5 5 5	25
S W Smith	50	4 5 5 5 5	24
L P Clark	50	5 4 4 4 5	23
Marshall Tracey	25	4 4 4 5 5	22
Major Melville tyro	25	3 5 3 5 4	20
A A Rockwell tyro	25	2 4 5 5 4	20

EXTRA SERIES—600 yards, 6 shots. T1

B R Clark	\$1.00	5 4 4 5 5	24
B C McIsaac	100	5 5 4 4 5	23
A A Rockwell	75	4 4 5 5 4	22
S W Smith	50	5 3 5 4 5	22
P R Semple	50	2 5 5 5 5	22
Burt Rockwell	50	4 5 4 4 4	21
L P Clark	25	5 4 5 4 3	21
H Anderson	25	3 5 5 5 3	21
J R Jones	25	3 5 5 5 3	21
M Tracey	25	4 3 4 4 5	20
J Meed	25	3 4 5 5 3	20
S J Hatfield tyro	25	2 4 4 3 3	16
M Rockwell tyro	25	2 3 4 3 3	15