

**Incite Moslems To Holy War**

LONDON, Jan. 28.—"The Times correspondent at Saloniki reports that the examination of enemy Consulates' archives is still incomplete and likely to last long owing to the mass of documents." Among the documents found at the Consulate of his Catholic and Apostolic Majesty of Austria are fifteen hundred copies of a long Arabic proclamation to chiefs of the Senussi inciting them to a holy war on non Germanic Christendom. They were found in sealed parcels addressed to the Austrian military attache at Athens. The proclamation contains the following words:

"O Allah! the instruments Allah has chosen for the protection of our religion the surest is the German nation. In these circumstances we have realized the imperious necessity of proclaiming a holy war. In Northern Africa the most powerful ruler and the one possessing the most authority in the Mussulman world is His Excellency the Imam, the Illustrious Exemplar and Champion of Islam in the Cause of Allah, who is our lord and master, the sure guide of all the elect. This leader is bred in the truth of the Koranic law and his soul shining with its pure effulgence, has undertaken the task of purifying all corrupt souls and directing them in the paths of life revealed by the holy book given to all Mussulmans."

"There is evidence that this proclamation was produced in Germany, a country whose monarch is always invoking God."

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**Traffic Resumed From Revelstoke**

Revelstoke, B. C., Jan. 26.—Traffic east from this point has been resumed after slides at Roger's Pass and blizzards at Field had tied up the trains for two days. No trains are expected from Vancouver before the end of the week. Revelstoke's supply of coal is practically exhausted.

**Nature Against The Germans**

LONDON, Jan. 28.—A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from Petrograd, says:

"A thaw in the Oginski canal district has caused the river Chara and Vasioda to flood the country, sweeping away trenches and fortifications which the Germans built when the ground was frozen hard, according to a telegram received here from Minsk."

"All the railways and roads have been turned into swamps and the German temporary field railways have been washed away."

"The Germans are working waist-deep in the water trying to extricate their guns, keeping up a heavy and protective rifle fire meanwhile."

"It is said that the washing away of a bridge at Lida, government of Vion, caused the wreck of a troop train, in which a hundred persons were killed or injured."

"There are many cases of scurvy among the prisoners taken on this front."

**HAS NO EVIDENCE OF GERMAN'S 17-INCH GUNS**

London, Jan. 26. A. J. Balfour, stated in the House of Commons today that the government had no evidence that Germany possessed 17-inch guns, but that it was not impossible.

**Germany Alarmed At Food Outlook**

"Can we hold out until we win?" That, as told me by a neutral traveller, is the question, writes Mr. Leonard Spray in the London Daily Telegraph, most often on the lips of the German people at this moment. Side by side with the amazingly persistent confidence in military victory is the haunting dread that before the armies in the field can achieve that end the people at home will be starving. Said my informant: "I have not met a single German who does not believe in the triumph of his cause. But I have also met scores who are intensely alarmed at the economic condition. But for that unshaken faith in the power of their arms, I am sure the discontent among the people would have brought about something like an upheaval before this. It is a fact that many disturbances have taken place, not only in Berlin, Cologne and Leipzig, but also in many of the smaller towns. There were all sorts of rumors in the capital about what happened on the day the Reichstag reopened. I was not there at the time, but a few days later I saw in Unter den Linden great number of police drawn up shoulder to shoulder. It is one indication among many of the fact that the increasing unrest among the people is a source of uneasiness to the authorities." Here is another neutral witness, whom I asked for his general impressions, told me: "There is a striking change in the demeanor of the Berliners. It is a very different city from what it was when I was there earlier in the war. Enthusiasm has given place to apathy; in fact, you might almost call it sullenness. No one ever suggests the possibility of defeat. But what I noticed was that nearly every-

one to whom I spoke asked this question: 'You are a neutral; when do they think in your country that the war will end?' When I suggested that the end was not in sight they betrayed the bitterest disappointment at the fact that this was the view of neutral on-lookers." This informant, too, expressed the opinion that the economic condition of the masses of the people is bad. But he drew a very marked and interesting distinction. "The rich are richer, and the poor are poorer," was his declaration, and he added large classes

**WERE PRACTICALLY HALF-STARVED.**

It is the testimony of everybody who has visited Germany lately that the women are responsible for the recent symptoms of unrest. There is something like a general revolt among the housewives, who know best of all, from practical experience, where the economic shoe pinches. Said one observer: "The women have led the disturbances everywhere, and their criticisms of the state of affairs are very bitter and outspoken. Nothing struck me more in Berlin than the amount of female labor. You see women everywhere doing public work—digging in the street, delivering the post, and conducting all the tramcars. And, on or off duty, they are always complaining of the food difficulties. Here is one little personal illustration. The conductor of the car on which I was travelling was discussing the shortage of food. She said, 'I have to work for my bread. For days I have not tasted butter, or had even a slice of sausage to eat with my bread.' Just after this remark we passed a butter shop. Outside was a long queue, with a strong force of police on guard, waiting to buy the quarter-pound that is the maximum allowance. Said the conductor of the car, 'It is all

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very well for them. They do not have to work for their living, and can stand there for hours to get a little butter. But we, who have to work, must either lose time and bread to get the butter, or keep the bread and go without the butter." Many stories of the struggle for butter have been related. Here is another worth telling, because it is an actual description by a German woman of how she got into the shop by a trick: "I passed the crowd by saying I only wanted peas, so the police let me in. I got my quarter of a pound of butter, and left the shop by another door. When I reached the street I stopped suddenly, exclaiming that I had left my gloves behind. Then the police let me through again, and I bought another quarter-pound of butter at a different counter." My informant, in telling the story, added: There is a perfect butter mania in Berlin. Every woman boasts of the tricks she has worked to get more than the regulation quarter-pound. I saw one woman faint in a queue. Aesha fell, three and a half pounds of butter dropped from some part of her clothing where they had been hidden. The other women did not waste much sympathy on their unconscious companion! Nothing but the knowledge of the true state of affairs among these classes of the population is it which has led to the split among their representatives in the Reichstag. So serious is that division that the minority in the Social Democratic party—the party that is opposed to all further war credits, and wants nothing but the end of the war—is now in the proportion of three or two. It has grown to that strength from a nucleus of one at the beginning of the war! Today, 'Vorwärts,' in one of the most significant comments it has ever made, expresses its "sincere conviction" that in a few weeks the minority will have become the majority. If that day arrives as soon as anticipated, then, when the Reichstag meets again on January 11, the Government will find in its path a solid block of at least 50 votes—an obstacle it will not be easy to overcome.

life is now of an alarming nature. The condition of affairs approaches a famine. The price of sugar is five shillings a pound and coffee is six shillings a pound.

"Cigarettes are forty per cent. dearer, which is a great hardship to the Turks, who smoke constantly. There is no chocolate, kerosene, cheese, rice or beef in the city. Mutton is forty per cent. dearer, and very scarce. Fish are plentiful. The electric and street car services have virtually ceased."

The correspondent declares that the new Balkan express is the handsomest and finest train in the world.

"It impresses and alarms the Turks," the correspondent continues, "as proof of its efficiency. It impresses and delights the Germans, Austrians, Hungarians and Bulgarians, who see it twice weekly, on its journey."

The correspondent interviewed Hail Bey, president of the council, and Enver Pasha, minister of war. Hail paid an enthusiastic tribute to the work the Germans are doing in the Near East.

"We Turks," Hail is quoted as saying, "need the German business initiative. Look at what Germany is doing for Roumania, which is now rich and prosperous and full of business enterprises, as a result of Germany's teachings. So the Germans will help us to become a healthy nation. See what they are doing in Anatolia, where they have 200 officers teaching our farmers modern methods."

Enver Pasha is reported to have said concerning the Gallipoli campaign:

"If the English had only had the courage to rush more ships through the Dardanelles they could have got to Constantinople, but their delay enabled us to thoroughly fortify the peninsula."

"We had our plans all laid for our line of action, if the allies occupied Constantinople. We intended to retire to the surrounding hills and to Asia Minor, and to pursue the war from there. We know they would not destroy the city, so the result simply would have been an impasse. Now, with German help, we are ready to strike at Great Britain through the Suez Canal. Our motto is 'On to Egypt!'"

**JIMMY'S WAY.**

Dick and Jimmy were spending a few days with their grandmother, who spoils them, as grandmothers will. One night they were saying their prayers, and little Jimmy vociferated his petition to the Heavenly Throne in a voice that could be heard a mile. He was telling the Divine Providence what he wanted for Christmas, and his enthusiasm in the cause got on his brother's nerves. "What are you praying for Christmas presents so loud for?" interrupted Dick. "The Lord ain't deaf." "No," whispered Jimmy, "but grandma is."



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**In Starving Constantinople**

London, Jan. 27.—Under the heading "In Starving Constantinople," the Daily Mail's correspondent, who has just returned from a trip through the Balkans on the new Balkan express, describes the conditions in the Turkish capital.

"In Constantinople," says the correspondent, "one realizes the war pressure more than in any great capital in the war zone. I had been there a few months ago, but to-day things are much worse."

"The dearth of necessities of