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An Outcome of U. S. Senate's Action

LONDON, Nov. 24.—The first and most ominous result of the Senate's maltreatment of the league covenant is the obvious recrudescence of the militarist spirit in Germany which is causing real concern in the Entente capital. In Berlin the pro-Hindenburg manifestations, which are in fact a movement for the reinstatement of the Kaiser, have taken on a note of defiance and gathered in strength, sharply contrasting with their timid and tentative character hitherto.

The existence in Germany of a large imperialist force, which the Kaiser party has been organizing, is believed here, though the German defacto Government denies it. Anxiety is expressed as to whether the Kaiser may not escape across the Dutch frontier to give another edition of Napoleon's return from Elba, although it is admitted that the Kaiser is not the man to take the risks Napoleon did with such disastrous consequences. With fate of the treaty still undecided, with D'Annunzio and the Italian nationalists defying their own Government, with Russia an outlaw among the nations and ruled by men to whom disorder is the aim of political existence, and with the whole of Central Europe actually worse off than during the war, the elements of a frightful European upheaval are all present, and only require the torch that a Kaiser revolution in Germany could apply to it to burst out into flames, whose destructive possibilities could not well be limited.

Opinion in the soberest political circles here is that the Senate has withdrawn America from the league and the best that can be hoped is that later, when the full extent of the havoc wrought to the interests of peace and civilization is realized, America may reverse this fatal verdict. But in the meantime all those forces in Europe whose interest lies in destroying everything for which the league stands are provided with a favorable soil on which to work, and the harm they may be able to do may render it too late to undo the work of the Senate.

WHY A CUT FINGER HURTS.

It hurts when you cut your finger—or, rather, where you cut it, says the Book of Wonders, because the place you have cut is exposed to the oxygen in the air, and as soon as it is so exposed a chemical action begins to take place, just as when you cut an apple and lay it aside you come back and find the cut surface all turned brown. If the apple could feel it would hurt also, because the chemical action is much the same. The apple has a skin which protects it inside from the oxygen in the air, and you have also a skin which protects you from the oxygen as long as it is unbroken.

What happens, of course, is this: When you cut your finger you sever the tiny little veins and nerves which are in your finger. They are spread all over your body like a network under the skin, close to the surface in most places. The nerves when cut send a quick message to the brain with which they are connected telling that they are damaged, and the brain calls on the heart and other functions to get busy and repair the damage along the line.

There may be some hurt while this process of repairing is going on, but the principal part of your hurt, outside of what we call your feelings, is due to the fact that the inside of you is thus exposed to the chemical action of the air.

ROME, OCTOBER, 1919

Leaning over a bridge across the Tiber and looking at Rome, its paces and churches, cream color or orange, between the dark ilex trees and the tall cypresses," Mr. Philip Gibbs mused of the future in the light of the past. "In Rome, because of things new and old, old stories old statues, old names, and the new movements and thoughts of men in its streets one ponders along the way—until one is brought to sharp attention by the clang of a tramcar, with no room to spare between one's body and the wall." Trams in Rome do not keep to the middle of the road. The eagerness for news in the capital of Italy struck Mr. Gibbs particularly. Nothing like it, he tells The Daily Chronicle, of London, has been witnessed since the days of war and armistice. And there is a coming and going in Rome, an armed coming and going which Fiume accounts for. The cock feathers of the Bersaglieri are conspicuous—officers and men crowd the cafes of the Piazza di Venezia and the other large squares. Then, too, there is the excitement of the coming elections. Manifestoes are shouting from the walls to all and sundry, and particularly to the "combattenti," the fighting men. October, 1919, was no uneventful time to see Rome.

MORGAN MIGRATION.

By W. H. Gecher.

The Morgan is an American type of horse. It is the only one with the possible exception of the Kentucky gaited saddle horse which originated on this continent. For years it was believed that Justin Morgan, the tap root sire, was by the thoroughbred horse True Briton. Wallace, however, exploded that and showed that there was a chance of him being a Dutch horse, as was claimed by the man who took him to Vermont.

Justin Morgan was foaled at West Springfield, Mass., in 1793. He was taken to Vermont in 1795 and died in 1821. He bred on through his sons Sherman Morgan, Bulrush Morgan, and Woodbury Morgan. Of these Sherman Morgan sired Vermont Black Hawk, Billy, of, Whalebone, and Phil Morgan. The Woodbury line was continued by Morgan Caesar, Morgan Eagle, Chittenden County Morgan, and Gifford Morgan, while the Bulrush line runs through the Randolph Horse, Jennison Colt, and Morrill, to Young Morrill, the sire of Fearnought and Winthrop Morrill.

Within fifty years after the death of Justin Morgan, his descendants were found in every state in the Union. At that time over one half of the light harness performers traced to him either through the sire or dam. The pedigrees of the leading trotters of today also show that a number of them carry a remote cross of Morgan blood. Ulian, Lee, Axworthy, Hamburg Belle, The Harvest, and Mabel Trask being among them.

A national survey of the light harness foundation stock shows that the forty-niners began buying Morgans as soon as they were located in California; Keokuk, Black Hawk, Black Warrior, Tyler's Black Hawk, Novato Chief, McCracken's Black Hawk, David Hill and Benecia Boy being taken there prior to the war. The Oregon breeders also purchased Vermont and Oregon Pathfinders. They were followed by Winthrop Knox, Champion Knox and Dick Flaherty.

Kentucky was fortunate in selecting Blood's Black Hawk. He as well as his sons Blood Chief and Indian Chief, the sire of Lady de Jarnette, were almost invincible in the show ring. The Morgan stamp was also left in Kentucky by Dorsey's Vermont Hero, through Goldust, Downing's Vermont through Gill's Vermont, Red Jacket, Rattler, Peavine, and Honest Allen.

Axworthy, Moko and Peter the Great have each a Morgan cross. The line to Axworthy runs through Strides away; to Moko through the Stockbridge Chief mare that produced Gloster, 2:17; and to Peter the Great through Madison's Octroon, a descendant of Woodbury Morgan.

The Morgan tide reached Michigan in the early fifties, the leaders being Morgan Eagle, the sire of Magna Charta, Marshall Chief, the sire of Primus, Chancey Goodrich, and Don J. Robinson, Western Fearnought, Bull's Pathfinder, Oceana Chief, Royal Fearnought, and Vermont Hero, the sire of General Knox. Stockbridge died in Illinois, where he was joined by Ward's Flying Cloud, Woodward's Ethan Allen which was afterwards taken to Kentucky, Swansbrough's Creeper, Captain Beaumont, Adelin and several Goldusts.

In the early days, Wisconsin was the half way station for Morgan stallions that were being taken to California. A few of them made several seasons there before completing the journey, the group including Benecia Boy, Dave Hill and McCracken's Black Hawk. A number also remained in the badger state, the leaders being Count's Gray Eagle, whose son McKesson's Gray Eagle got Charley Ford, 2:16 3/4, Prince Pathfinder, Live Oak, and Black Flying Cloud, the sire of Badger Girl, 2:22 1/2.

Iowa breeders developed a fondness for Morgans at a nearly date.

Their selections included Eastman Morgan, sire of Little Fred, 2:20; Panic, Vermont, General Star, Vermont Boy, whose son Reconstruction got the dam of Bonnie McGregor, 2:13 1/2, and King Herod, while both McKesson's Gray Eagle and Young Morrill died at Iowa.

Eliminate the Scrub.

From time to time we are exhorted to replace the scrub sires with good ones, and yet the change for the better comes very slowly, and improvement does not show itself in any marked manner.

That the scrub sire is responsible for holding back many a man that should have succeeded, there is no doubt, and the reason why is difficult to answer, unless it is a question of money. It is quite possible to Vermont boys, close to our view that we fail to see the dollars at all, and I believe this describes pretty well the owner of the scrub sire. He usually says: "I should be using better sires, but they cost so much that I can't afford it," when, if he looked as carefully into his own business as he does into the ways that the big concerns pile up wealth, he would not be long in discarding the worthless sire. It certainly means additional investment to get a good sire, but who would think that sowing half the seed necessary to produce a full crop was true economy? So it is with the good sire. The returns in better stock will more than counteract the investment. Show me a community where scrub sires have prevailed for any length of time, and I will show you a community of hand-to-mouth farmers, with very few of the modern homes, equipped as they should be. Likewise in the community where good sires prevail prosperous homes predominate. Furthermore, it is from just such districts that the city dwellers get the bulk of their good meat, butter, milk, etc. And lastly, there is considerably more pleasure gotten out of feeding good animals that please the eye than there is with any other kind. Now is the opportune time to market the scrub (whether he be bull, boar or ram) and put something worth while in his place.—R. H. H.

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