

CALL TO ARMS IN EUROPE BRINGS NEW FACES INTO PUBLIC LIMELIGHT

Count Von Pourtales Delivers German War Message to Czar—France's New War Minister Is Anti-Touton—Keir Hardie Opposes British Entanglement—King of Italy's Consort, Being Montenegrin, Has Sympathy for Serbs.



Vice-Admiral Rokuro Yoshino, Japanese Admiral



Count Von Pourtales, German Diplomat.



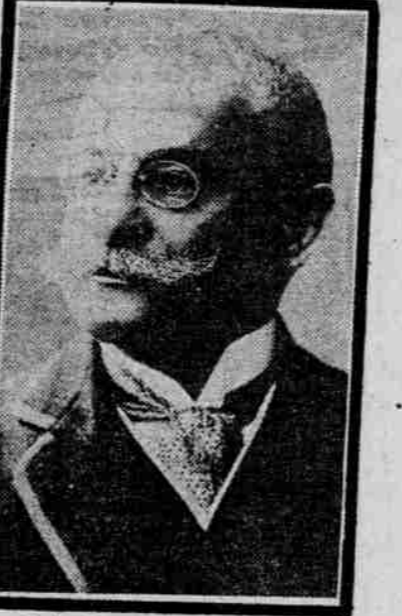
Victor Emmanuel, King of Italy



Prince Henry of Prussia



Keir Hardie, English Socialist.



M. Delcasse, French War Minister

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—(Special).—Count von Pourtales, the German Ambassador to Russia, who presented the declaration of war to Russia and then returned to Berlin, is one of the oldest diplomats in the German service. He has been more than 10 years in Russia. It was his report to the Kaiser of the mobilizing of Russian troops which led to the declaration of war.

Prince Hrebeltanovich of Serbia. The Queen of Italy is the daughter of the Prince of Montenegro and the interests of Montenegro are opposed to those of Austria. It is reported that Montenegro has thrown in her lot with Serbia.

France's new Minister of War is M. Delcasse, whose appointment, made all the more significant because of the German, is considered significant. He is strongly anti-German.

NEW YORK HAS REGIME OF ECONOMY INDUCED BY BIG CONFLICT IN EUROPE

Many Reservists Awaiting Transport Home Are Penniless in East—False Tooth Sent to Swell Suffrage Fund. Recent Investigation of Sing Sing Prison Said to Have Accomplished No More Than Earlier Inquiries.

BY LLOYD F. LONERGAN. The problem of how to care for the reservists of the different European countries now at war is puzzling the city authorities. Many of them have come to New York from long distances, and, expecting to be sent to the front without delay, were practically penniless when they arrived.

Nothing has been done to improve conditions in the prison and the public which at one time was much aroused over the matter, seems to have forgotten all about it. Perhaps Sing Sing in spots is less disgraceful than it was, but it remains still a reproach to the community that supports it.

The City of New York now is without water troughs, and horses must go thirsty unless their owners and drivers obtain running water for them. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is reconstructing its foundations and standpipes so that drivers of commercial vehicles, who now, under penalty of fines must carry pads, can be able to fill them.

FEATHER PLUCKING BY FOWLS HARD TO CHECK

Improper Feeding and Idleness Probable Causes of Vice—Free Range Necessary for Future Breeding Stock—Feathers Valuable By-Product.

BY W. LUDWIG. Many farmers and poultrymen have a great deal of trouble with fowls forming the habit of plucking feathers. No one has been able to determine just why some hens will pluck the feathers from one another.

continue any more plucking. It is fails to effect a cure, then cut off the edges of both the upper and lower mandible about an eighth of an inch, so that they don't close.

ARM BROKEN FOURTH TIME Young Automoblist Hurt When Cranker "Kicks." YORK, Pa., Aug. 7.—For the fourth time in two years an automobile which Lewis D. Spangler, 18 years old, was cranking "kicked" and broke his arm yesterday.

Hopper feeding saves time and labor. If you just feed the hen enough to keep her alive, don't expect her to lay a good supply of eggs. If you do, you will invariably be disappointed.

Protect the hoppers from the weather and place them in a protected place on the range. Your chicks will grow more rapidly and with less attention than when hoppers are not used.

Non-producing hens have no place on an up-to-date poultry plant that is run for profit. Hens more than two years old begin to decline in producing power.

It has been proven that beef scraps or meat meal and green cut bones possess the greatest value in producing eggs and when fed to the hens get more eggs than feed pepper and do not hurt the hens.

Good, pure water is a necessity in the poultry yard. An egg is 65.5 per cent water. A hen that is given pure water and fed wholesome food will lay an egg that is never found in the egg laid by a hen that is compelled to drink water out of a manure pail.

The West Virginia experiment station has been making a series of tests to determine the effect of meat ration for hens.

The meat-fed fowls laid 7555 eggs, while the grain-fed fowls laid 4241, or less than one-half as many as those receiving the meat ration.

The hackle and saddle feathers of the red and black breeds of poultry are used by fishermen in making flies for luring game fish.

"Goose feathers," says Rural Life, "being more oily, are apt to turn rancid sooner than chicken feathers. It is best to wash them well in hot water, using plenty of soap and a cupful of ammonia to a barrel of water.

About 10 ducks are required to make a pound of feathers. It is said that between 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 pounds of feathers are annually imported into the United States.



How to Make a Country Place, by Joseph Dillaway Sawyer, Illustrated, Orange Tree Co., New York City.

Clearly written and printed, with quite a wealth of information about starting a farm and converting it into a country residence, and with more varied and numerous illustrations than noticed in any other country house book.

The man whose heart within him burns to build, as well as to own his own roots, the following record may be of interest, says our modest author.

Two eloquent pictures are shown of an old farmhouse modernized, with this explanation: The old farmhouse was a house that quitted the 72 acres of my first purchase, afterward increased by buying adjacent farms to 250 acres.

Chapter one—The farm; remodeling the farmhouse, hygiene, water supply, sewage, farm lawn, animals, the dairy, poultry, bees, horticulture.

The Vanished Messenger, by E. Phillips Oppenheim, Illustrated, \$1.50. Little, Brown & Co., Boston.

"Run Ho" means "Go in with me," and it depicts a life of daring, and it depicts a life of love, the hero is Ralph Cunningham, or as his Indian friends call him "Chota Cunningham."

When young Cunningham arrives in India from England he is met at the wharf by Mahammed Gunga and several other British troopers who love him for a soldier father's sake.

It is surprising that more American novelists do not write word-pictures of scenes from the great American lakes. There should be abundant material.



"The man who anticipates his century is persecuted when living and pilfered when dead."—Disraeli.

English Synonyms, Antonyms and Prepositions, by James C. Fernald, L. H. D., \$1.50. Funk & Wagnalls Company, New York City.

Designed as a companion for the study and as a text-book for the use of schools, this publication is probably the best of its kind in this country.

The fighting men of Rajputana—loyal to the British—wait on a leader and they accept young Cunningham, Joanna, a native woman, in a spy for Mahammed Gunga.

The Spoy rebels gather in force at Deesnera and are held in check by a small British force of 2000 men under Byng-bahadur.

The scenes are all laid in England, and the bad angel and most industrious worker, Mr. Bryan, delivered by invitation, a legless cripple who lives on a marvelous estate on the English North Sea coast.

The People's Law, by William Jennings Bryan, 50 cents. Funk & Wagnalls Company, New York City.

The Great Amulet, by Maud Diver, \$1.50. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York City.

Books Added to Library. BIOGRAPHY. Mirabeau—Mirabeau, from the French of Louis de la Harpe, 1813.