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WILL ENGLAND FIGHT?

The question seems to narrow itself down to this—Will England eat dirt or fight? When the Russians, over a month ago, advanced to Pul-i-Kahtum, their justification for the encroachment, says the *Chronicle*, was that the Afghans had occupied Penjdeh, and that the advance of their enemy by one road involved a Russian advance by the other. They were prompt to disavow any intention of territorial aggrandizement. On the 30th of March they took Penjdeh and drove out the Afghans. Still the *Journal de St. Petersburg* assured the world that the incident had no significance, and that the Russian government had no desire to annex the territory belonging to its neighbors. Great Britain asked an explanation of the agressive movement of General Komaroff. The emperor replied that he could give no explanation until he had himself received an explanation from General Komaroff, which would take sixty days, more or less. But in the meantime he promoted the general to a high rank—gave him, in fact, supreme control in the territory which may become the seat of war. Has not the farce gone on long enough?

If England has any of her ancient spirit left there is but one course to pursue. She must fight and fight promptly. She is already disgraced in the Soudan, where one of her most gallant soldiers has been murdered by a band of Bedouins, and the army which was sent to rescue him is bottled up in the most ridiculous way in the deserts. If now she submits to Russian aggression and allows herself to be fooled into more diplomatic controversy, the sooner she abdicates her claim to be a first-class power, the better. There is no necessary disgrace in being unable or unwilling to fight. Members of the peace society are quite respectable people. But they don't go around masquerading in military disguise. It is quite possible Great Britain would rather go on selling pots and pans to Russia than fight her. It is all a matter of taste.

The only trouble is that the old addage about the man who fights and runs away living to fight another day is liable to come true in this case in very short order. If England don't fight for Herat she will have to fight for Delhi, and if she don't fight for Delhi she may have to fight for Calcutta. The Indian empire is at stake. If the British leave the Afghans to their fate the entire Mohammedan population of northwest India will fly to arms. Their only motive for submitting to British control was that England was all-powerful and that her sword was always drawn. If now the sword turns out to be a shepherdess' crook, the Mohammedans of Hindustan will quickly shake of the British yoke. With that class of people it is pluck that wins.

A PATHETIC INCIDENT.

The Greenville *Banner* tells the following pathetic story of how conductor Frazer of the International and Great Northern railroad tried to fight off death a few hours in order that he might see his wife once more. He had been shot by a tramp, and had been taken to Tyler, Texas, in a dying condition:

"Help me to fight back this cruel death, boys, until my wife gets here," said the dying man, cheerily. The doctors had already told him he could live but a few hours. With a calm courage he heard the verdict, and called all of his wonderful force to his aid in the struggle to live until his wife arrived.

"Tell me exciting stories," he said to the boys around his bed, "for I must make this run till she comes!" And the boys did laugh and tell big stories, poor fellows, when their stout hearts were filled with sad regret. The hours sped rapidly by; the merry voice of the conductor grew fainter and fainter, but his courage never faltered. A telegram from his wife in answer to one sent her some hours before was brought into the room and read. She was coming on a special train, the road was cleared for her passage, and with lightning speed her train was annihilating distance. What a race! A young woman in the full flush of love and a new life, pitted against the king of terrors. The news nerved Frazer for a moment and his efforts to keep up were renewed. A little later another telegram. "Old boy," whispered a brakeman, "She will be here in an hour." Good God! But one short hour to wait—to live! "Turn me over, boys," he said. It was done. He whispered to an attendant: "Charley, I cannot run on this schedule—goodby!" He was dead in an instant. Just thirty-one minutes later a beautiful young woman bent over the prostrate form, and, finding no life there, broke out in one of those wild wails which tell all too well that hope in life is done.

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It is alleged that two negroes have been killed in Lawrence county, Miss., to prevent them from testifying against Mr. Lofton, who is charged with the murder of his brother.

A HINT FOR LAMAR.

Mr. Lamar is reported to have said the other day, in reply to an inquiry from an assistant commissioner of the land office, that he was not sufficiently acquainted with the business of the department to decide questions, but that he proposed to be guided by the rules of the land office. The question was whether the department should recognize the right of the Northern Pacific to a new land grant in consequence of it having changed its line, all the lands in the old grant having been sold. Under the old rules of the land office, apparently, railroad companies got all they asked for, if not something more; and but for the action of Commissioner Sparks, who put a stopper on the Northern Pacific's little game, this would have been the case again.

Mr. Lamar may as well understand two things: First, he can't follow a worse guide than the rules of the land office under former administrations. It has always been more or less under the control of railway corporations, as any one who has had a controversy before the department can testify. The great railway monopolies, with their endless ramifications in congress and social life, have always had power enough to get their friends into the land department, and it has hardly ever happened, until within the last two years, that they have been defeated in their schemes for plundering the public domain. Secretary after secretary has tried to institute a reform, but without success: one after another has at last succumbed to the tireless industry and far-reaching contrivances of the companies. Mr. Lamar's immediate predecessor was an honest man when he entered the department, but his last official act was a most shameless prostitution of his authority in the service of a railway syndicate.

Another point to which Mr. Lamar may not err in devoting a little attention is personal to himself. He has figured in important cases as counsel for railway corporations. Now a lawyer does not necessarily sell his soul when he accepts a fee to plead a case for a railway. He may be able to be a perfectly impartial judge afterward in a case where that railway is concerned. But out of the irritation which pervades the public mind on the subject of monopoly usurpations there has grown a presumption that corporation lawyers are not safe persons to intrust with the defense of the public interest where corporations are concerned. People hope that they may turn out right, but they fear that they may not. As to Mr. Lamar, it is hoped that he will so administer his department as to put an end to the absorption of the public domain by corporations to the exclusion of the people. But it is remembered that not long ago railway fees were pouring into his pocket. He is bound from regard to his own reputation to be more than usually careful in dealing with corporations. He can not be too distrustful of them and their schemes. He cannot go too slow when they ask for favors. And he cannot act too quickly in rescuing from their clutches public lands which they have grabbed without war rant of law.

THE LOCOMOTIVE AMONG THE GEORGIANS.

When the Macon and Brunswick railroad was being built, a half-dozen gaunt-looking Montgomery-county crackers came out of the woods one day, and with great seriousness began to examine an engine that was attached to a construction train, the like of which none of them had ever seen before. The solemn crackers walked round the engine in silence, ashamed to show surprise and fear, and trying to appear contemptuous. Having completed the circuit, they paused directly in front of the engine, and stood chewing their quids. Finally one broke the silence:

"What yer think on't Bill?"

"Wall," said Bill, "et's right purty, but it dont peer like it'd make es good time as a steer' r mine."

This furnished the cue.

"Reck'n it caint pull more'n two hunnerd."

"Gimme er good ox jeam every time," said another, and so on.

Presently the engine gave a blast and started slowly. The faces of the crackers blanched, but they still stood their ground. When the machine reached within a few feet of them the oldest, with a sudden show of energy, exclaimed, moving aside:

"Oh! gol darn et, boys, let's give the thing er fa'r showin'."

They did so with a slightly accelerated motion, and the thing moved on. —*Macon, Ga., Telegraph.*

Torture in Russian Prisons.

A Nihilist imprisoned in the Troubletskoi Bastion has managed to communicate with the outside world. He says the prisoners are almost starved on mouldy food. Disagreeable diseases prevail. The use of combs and soap is forbidden. Jailors are cruel. Vermin are abundant. Rats often eat dying prisoners. This is almost as bad as dyspepsia. But the torments of dyspepsia need not always be endured, for Brown's Iron Bitters will conquer the disease. Mrs. Williams, of Starkville, Miss., was tormented with dyspepsia, and her daughter with debility. Brown's Iron Bitters relieved both.

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