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A TERRIBLE BLOW.

Whatever else the war may bring the result of the Gallipoli peninsula campaign is a blow to British prestige worse than she has received since the recall of the expedition that was sent to the relief of Gordon.

The difficulties which were encountered will not be rehearsed, but simply the fact that England was beaten by a Mohammedan army, and as those swarthy hosts repeat it, they will add "Allah is great and Mohammed was his prophet," and the old dream will be revived of some-time conquering the world.

Doubtless the forces were withdrawn to strengthen the defense where the hostile armies are drawing together on the border of Greece and Bulgaria, but nevertheless, it is a serious blow to British prestige just where she can least afford to have it come.

The old reliance on the fleet led England to reject his advice, but the fleet is no longer infallible. This war has taken on phases never dreamed of before, and taken on new instruments of destruction which, when a little further advanced, promise to make future wars impossible because their destructiveness will exceed the endurance of poor human nature.

WHAT STATES HAVE DONE FOR FARMERS.

Arizona has permitted the proceeds of state lands to be invested in farm mortgages.

California adopted a resolution to amend the constitution so as to permit the state to use public funds and credit for farmers.

Colorado has permitted funds derived from certain public lands to be invested in farm mortgages.

Florida has exempted all farm and grove products from the license tax when offered for sale by growers.

Indiana has given to rural loan and savings associations the privilege of requiring the auditor of state to serve as trustee of the farm mortgages securing their bonds.

Georgia adopted a resolution to amend the constitution so as to exempt from taxation all farm products including baled cotton, in the hands of the producer. This was approved at the polls and a law has been passed accordingly.

Kansas now permits the holder of a farm mortgage, deposited with the state treasurer, to issue bonds certified by that official to the effect that the security is ample and its title perfect.

Louisiana adopted a constitutional amendment authorizing exemption from taxation of lands improved for homesteads by or for immigrants. Louisiana also has enabled the owner of rural real estate to issue bonds up to 60 per cent of the value as appraised by a commission of three bank cashiers of the parish, two of whom shall be appointed by the district court.

Mississippi memorialized congress to pass one of the bills pending for rural credits that provides for the creation of public land credit banks with power to issue bonds guaranteed by the United States government for raising money for farm mortgages.

Missouri passed a special act creating a public land credit bank to be managed by the governor and other state officials with power to issue tax-exempted state-guaranteed bonds for raising money for farm mortgages.

Montana has created a department

ALL WRONG

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of farm loans with the state treasurer as commissioner and the county treasurer as a local representative to issue bonds and make tax-exempted loans on farm lands.

New York has created a highly privileged tax-exempted land-credit bank with power to issue bonds upon the security of farm mortgages trusted with the state comptroller.

North Dakota adopted a resolution to amend the constitution so as to permit the use of funds and credit of the state in forming agricultural credit associations.

South Dakota adopted a resolution to amend the constitution so as to permit the state or contiguous counties to create and maintain rural credit systems for making farm loans.

Utah passed a law on co-operative land-credit banks with power to issue bonds upon the security of farm mortgages trusted with the state treasurer.

Wisconsin requires the assessor of incomes to certify the value of farm mortgages taken by land-mortgage associations, and the state treasurer to serve as trustee of the securities for the bonds issued by such associations.

In the Philippine Islands the government agricultural bank has been created by a special act.

In Porto Rico the semi-public insular bank has been created by a special act for extending credit on farm land and to agricultural enterprises. What has Oregon done?

OFFICERS \$20,000 APIECE.

A newspaperman who has been investigating our military and naval establishments, reports that it costs \$12,000 to train an officer at Annapolis, and \$20,000 to train one at West Point, although Harvard and some other big colleges educate a student for about \$2500.

In this case, as in many others, private enterprise accomplished a given purpose far more effectively than the government. Both West Point and Annapolis are excellent schools, perhaps as good as any of their kind in the world. But there is little doubt of the needless extravagance in their equipment and administration.

Doubtless the expense could be reduced somewhat under present conditions. It is likely, however, that the most effective saving can be accomplished by using these educational plants to greater capacity. The buildings, grounds, mechanical equipment, instructing corps are already there; the overhead charges are fairly stationary. If the number of students could be doubled, the added expense would be comparatively little, and the cost per graduate would be nearly cut in two.

Weather forecasts are to the effect that Saturday will be "drier" following a general "soaking up" which comes the night before.

All together now for the Columbia highway. Of course the highway is going on through Eastern Oregon. Whether it will come through the center of Morrow county, through the main towns and over the very best land we have, depends largely upon you and I.

Nevermore.

The landlady of a well-known boarding-house always made a point of asking departing guests to write something in her visitors book. She was very proud of it—of some of the people whose names were in the volume, and the nice things they said.

"But there's one thing I can't understand," the lady confided to a friend, "and that is what an American gentleman put in the book after stopping here. People always smile when they read it."

"What was it?" quired the other. "He only wrote the words, 'Quoth the raven!'"—Tit Bits.

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