

about the League of Nations as a first-hand observer of a great international experiment. I would be guilty of the grossest impertinence if I attempted to instruct the United States people in their own affairs. I am presenting the League of Nations as a practical business proposition and as an organized league for peace. I can see no hope for the survival of European civilization unless there is an end of war and some hope of peace in the future. Lord Robert said he had neither the expectation nor the intention of changing the attitude of the United States people towards the League of Nations, as expressed at the last election. He pointed out that there was as great a danger for a nation in distrusting everyone, as there was in trusting everyone. While the decisions of the League would be decided by the votes of the members, he said, world public opinion would have the greatest force in influencing the members of the League to give just and impartial decisions. The entrance of the United States into the League of Nations, while not necessary to the success of the League, he stated, would bring about an organization of the world on a peaceful basis. Without the entrance of Russia and Germany, he said, it was expected that all Europe, Asia and South America would be in the League, with only the United States on the outside. Lord Cecil was the guest of honour at a luncheon given by the Commission of International Justice and goodwill of the Federal Council of Churches, at which he explained the workings of the League to more than 100 Clergymen.

London, April 4th.—The United States destroyer Fox collided with the British light-cruiser Ceres at the entrance to the Bosphorus yesterday, according to advices received from Constantinople today by Lloyds. Both vessels, the report said, were badly damaged. The strong current was held responsible for the accident.

Paris, April 4th.—The Germans successively despatched nine trains without engineers from Friederichsfeld, in unoccupied Germany, in the direction of Wesel, says a Krefeld telegram to the Journal. The eighth train ran into the seventh on the Lippe bridge, with the result that seventy cars were derailed. The correspondent says that the object of the plan was to bottle up the Wesel Station, an important railway centre. Three persons suspected of having shared in the plot have been arrested.

Cairo, April 4th.—The Earl of Carnarvon's doctors last night virtually abandoned any hope of his recovery and the family gathered around the bedside, anticipating the worst, but the patient rallied, never losing consciousness. Today his temperature was 101, and he was maintaining the slight improvement noted last evening. He was still very weak, but less depressed than he had

been. Lord Carnarvon's physicians regard the fight for life, which the discoverer of Tutankhamen's tomb is making as most remarkable. Everything, they say, depends upon his ability to maintain his strength for the next day or two.

London, April 4th.—The sum of \$475,000 was to be paid into J. P. Morgan and Company's Offices in New York today by the Rumanian Government, under an arrangement made with the Canadian High Commissioners Office here. This is the first yearly payment of interest and sinking fund instalment on Rumania's trade credit debt to Canada, under the new arrangement made for repaying the debt by Mr. Larking last year.

Cardiff, Wales, April 4th.—Forty-six thousand miners in the Rhondda coal field went on strike today. Not a pit in the district was working. Picketing was being maintained in many places, but no cases were reported of non-unionists attempting to work.

Toulon, Paris, April 4th.—Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen, paired with Colonel Mayes, the Canadian tennis Champion, defeated C. G. Aeschliman and Count De Graffenhilt, men's doubles champions, of Switzerland, here today. The score was 6 2 6 3. The losers started to leave the court after the second set, Suzanne called them back, saying, "this match is the best three out of five. That's just like men."

Cairo, April 5th.—The Earl of Carnarvon died peacefully at two o'clock this morning. He was conscious almost to the end. His death was due to blood poisoning, through the bite of an insect, with the later development of pneumonia.

London, April 4th.—Sugar in stock on the 31st ultimo, was 2,000 tons. Last year 76,000 tons.

Washington, April 3rd.—During 1922 Canada sold more goods to the United States than any other country, according to figures issued to the Department of Commerce today. These show that the total value of imports from Canada during the year were \$364,026,424. Imports from Great Britain totalled \$356,927,197. The imports from the Dominion showed a substantial increase over those of 1921, during which year the United States received from Canada goods valued at \$335,441,944. Great Britain's exports to the United States during 1921 totalled \$238,796,638.

London, April 4th.—Lady Northcliffe, widow of Viscount Northcliffe, was married today to Sir Robert Arundell Hudson. The marriage was solemnized in the chapel at Hartlebury Castle, which is the Episcopal residence of the Bishop of Worcester, who officiated. The bride was given away by Sir Charles Russell and the register was signed by Mr. Harcourt. The bridegroom's daughter and Miss Pearce, daughter of the Bishop. The couple started immediately for Italy on their honeymoon.

GOV. TOWNER SAILS FOR SAN JUAN ON SATURDAY.

Mrs. Towner Will Accompany him; New Attorney General Coming, too;
R. J. VanDeusen His Secretary.

Salvador Mestre Resigns to President; Others to Tender Resignations to New Governor.

Governor Towner will sail for Porto Rico from New York on next Saturday arriving here April 5, and will be inaugurated in the Municipal Theatre on Friday, April 6. Officially his administration commences April 1.

Governor Towner will be accompanied by Mrs. Towner, who probably will be here not more than a month before returning to the States to go to Wellesley College where their daughter Miss Constance, is studying. After a short stay in the States, she will again come to Porto Rico accompanied by Miss Towner and possibly Mrs. Towner's mother.

Governor Towner will be accompanied to Porto Rico by former State Senator Herbert Coates, of New York, who is to be the new attorney general. R. J. Van Duesen, of Washington, who was private secretary to Governor Yager, will return to San Juan as private Secretary to Governor Towner.

Salvador Mestre, the attorney general cabled his resignation to President Harding on Thursday of this week, and is the first of the department heads who have served under Governor Reilly to tender his resignation. All other department heads it is understood, will tender their resignations to Governor Towner.

Joseph A. Lovet, assistant attorney general, tendered his resignation to Mr. Mestre as of March 15 and it was accepted.

Secretary of the Navy Denby advised Acting Governor Hoyke this week that he will be present for the inauguration, coming here on the U. S. S. Henderson on the morning of April 6 and sailing at midnight on April 7. The secretary said it will be impracticable to have other vessels of the fleet now on maneuvers at Panama attend the ceremonies.

Secretary of War Weeks, who it was hoped might be here for the inauguration, will not be here for that event but will probably be here the latter part of April accompanied by members of the military committees of the House and Senate and some of the members of the Appropriation's committees. They will be in the island for two days.

Plans for the inauguration of Governor Towner are now being worked out by various committees appointed by Acting Governor Huyke, and the general committee met yesterday afternoon to further discuss the plans.—*Porto Rico Progress, March 24th.*