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TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, July 12th.—Final approval was given yesterday by the Cabinet to the terms of the reparations statement, which will be made today by Mr. Stanley Baldwin and Lord Curzon coincidentally in the House of Commons and the Lords. It is anticipated that the joint statement will be one of studied moderation, intended to maintain friendly relations with France. While it will set forth the desirability of united action by the Allies in dealing with Germany, it will emphasize the pressing need of a new definite attitude on the part of Great Britain toward the whole reparations problem. It will make clear that if France cannot join Great Britain, the Government will have no alternative but to pursue a separate course of action. Although this afternoon developed into the hottest of the season, the House of Commons was crowded half an hour before three o'clock, at which time the speaker was to take the chair to open the session.

London, July 12th.—Great Britain has informed France and Italy that she is ready to assume the responsibility of preparing the draft of a reply to the German reparation notes. The reply will be submitted to the Allies with the least possible delay, in the hope that they will agree to its terms. Announcement to this effect was made by Mr. Baldwin in a statement to the House of Commons today on Great Britain's reparations policy. The Government, he said, invites the sympathy of the Allies and of all interested states for the proposal, which aims solely at the pacification of Europe and the recovery of the exhausted world.

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Mr. Baldwin failed to state what the British proposals will be, in the note the Government intends framing, nor did he say anything in regard to an international commission to examine into Germany's capacity to pay.

Lausanne, July 12th.—The Turks have dampened the rejoicing of the Near East peace conference by raising new difficulties. They want all the British warships withdrawn from the Straits, simultaneously with the troops, but the British today insisted on their right to keep two cruisers, pending ratification of the Straits Convention. The British say they are

willing to remove all warships when Ankara ratifies the treaty, but desire the right to come back with up to two cruisers. Although exhausted from long months of negotiations, Ismet Pasha strenuously contested the British contention, during a session which lasted well into the night, declaring that this was against the spirit, if not against the letter of the treaty. The session broke up without an agreement.

London, July 12th.—The unofficial dock strike which has been weakening for the

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