PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

The following passengers were among those who arrived at Suez per S.S. Mansourah on the 5th inst from Port Sudan:- Major P. Bahr, Major E. Fugusen, Captain J. Anderson, Captain H. Skinner, Bimbashi B. Crew, Bimbashi W. Stewart, Mr. A. Chapman, Mr. J. Chapman, Mr. & Mrs. I. Morris, Mr. H. Zammit & family, Mrs. G. Kinmonth, Mr. G. Hunt, Mr. G. Grabham, Mr. J. Crawford, Mr. Aziz Khouri, Mr. A. Carapanayoti, Mr. I. Angelidis, Mr. H. Melleris & family, Mr. & Mrs. A. Masters, Mr. & Mrs. F. Martin, Mr. J. Hirst, Mr. F. Anthonisse, Mr. S. Vitale, Mr. K. Dogher, Mr. C. Sandjack, Ismail Eff. Zaki, Mohamed Eff. Sadik, Awad Eff. Zaki.

ALEXANDRIA SPORTING CLUB.

The 1919 Open Tennis Tournament, begins on April 22 and will last for about a week. The Tournament will consist of Gentlemen's Doubles, Gentlemen's Singles, Ladies' Doubles, Ladies' Singles, Veteran Gentlemen's Singles, Veteran Gentlemen's Doubles, Mixed Doubles. Veterans must be 45 years or over; 8 entries required to fill each event. Entrance fee P.T. 20 for each event for each person. Entries (which must be accompanied by entrance fee) close on Monday, April 14.

ALEXANDRIA AMUSEMENTS.

THE BLUE TRIANGLES. — The "Blue Triangles," already a good company, have been strengthened by members of the Barnstormers and the Roosters and after reorganisation, are about to put on the finest military show, as regards scenery, dresses and general talent, ever seen in Alexandria next Monday at the Alhambra Theatre. Note: book early. The "Blue Triangles" as at present constituted have as members of their caste, Basil (Barnstormers), Davies (Roosters), Greville (Barnstormers), Hansen, Hayden (Barnstormers), Inward (Blue Triangles), Mansfield (Blue Triangles), Mock (Barnstormers), Oliver (Blue Triangles), Parkin (Blue Triangles), Redmond (Blue Triangles), Sherwood (Blue Triangles).

The show is under the direction of:- Lt. G. E. Jones, M.C.; the production is by Hayden, a number of nice dresses have been designed and executed by Greville and Mock, the scenic effects are by Johnstone and the stage manager is Langley. This production, which is putting on a programme of nineteen numbers, is under the distinguished patronage of Brig.-Gen. R. C. Boyle, C.B., C.M.G., G.O.C. Alexandria.

COMRADES OF THE WAR.

A pleasant feature of the "after-the-war" era is the setting up of innumerable regimental and divisional associations. The "Devil's Own," for instance, are thinking of establishing a permanent club of their own. In some cases it is merely a question of a dining club, and in others just an annual dinner; but in all the schemes there is the common link of a desire not wholly to lose touch between the comrades of the war who are now being scattered so widely. These meetings it is thought will have their own use, apart from their immediate purpose in promoting a better understanding between the various classes of society; and they will keep green the fragrance of real chivalry.

"FLOATED TO VICTORY ON SEA OF OIL."

Mr. Van H. Manning, director of the United States Bureau of Mines, announced that gasoline production in the United States in 1918 bore out, at least in part, the statement of the British Admiralty shortly after the cessation of hostilities: "We floated to victory on a sea of oil." Gasoline production in the United States in 1916 was 50,000,000 barrels, and in 1917 the production increased, under the spur of war's necessity, to 68,000,000 barrels. The 1918 production again rose to 85,000,000 barrels, a daily increase over 1917 of about 47,000 barrels.

THRILLS IN THE CHANNEL.

There are still thrills in the Channel crossing for our sick men on the passage from hospital train to hospital train. One day recently a heavy-laden boat just missed striking a German mine half-way to Dover, and there was some excitement on board. Owing to the rough sea the attempt to explode the mine by rifle-fire was unsuccessful.

"Hope that 'ere tunnel's ready next time I go to-war," was the remark of one "cot case" at Dover.

A New York telegram states that a mysterious sleeping sickness has claimed as victims ten soldiers in Camp Lee, causing one death. Other cases are reported among civilians.

The Paris Municipal Council opened last month nine food shops, which have been set up in the most populous quarters, with food at low prices. It is hoped by this means to lower the cost of living.

Sousa's
THE CIGARETTE OF DISTINCTION

(Continued from page 3).

looked most enthusiastic as they clapped their hands or waved their white handkerchiefs to the masses of people below, who replied with ecstatic shouts.

Some of the demonstrators organised a special committee for the sale of small badges representing the Egyptian flag—red and white—at the rate of P.T.5 each. At about midday they had collected about L.E.100.

CRESCENTS AND CROSSES.

Flags specially made for the occasion bearing Crescents and Crosses in the middle were more conspicuous yesterday than on the previous day owing to the number of Copts who took part in the demonstration. The banner carried at the head of the Customs Officials' procession had three Crescents with three Crosses, designed in the form of a circle.

NEWSPAPERS RE-APPEAR.

The press which had disappeared on Tuesday at Alexandria, appeared again yesterday afternoon, containing lengthy accounts of the morning's demonstrations.

In the afternoon demonstrations were renewed as on the previous day by smaller groups of people especially of the rabble, a number of whom paraded in the central streets riding on horses without harness.

All trams stopped yesterday not because the tramway men were on strike but because it was impossible to run trams in the crowded streets. The demonstrators also influenced the majority of cabmen to give up work in honour of the occasion and most of the horses which were used by demonstrators in the afternoon were taken from their stables.

NO CAIRO MAIL.

Owing to the strike of Government officials in Cairo we have received nothing through the post from our Cairo correspondent. The local postal authorities are doing their best to cope with the situation in Alexandria and people are receiving their mail on application.

STOP PRESS

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 5.

A volcanic eruption took place in the mountains near Palmeiro-Los-Indios in the state of Alagoas on March 30. It opened a crater over two kilometres long. The inhabitants fled. A number were killed. Volcanic activity has hitherto been unknown in this region.

Reuter.

COPENHAGEN, April 6.

A message from Vienna states that the German-Austrian National Assembly unanimously passed the Bill relating to the banishment of the royal family (mentioned on March 28).

A Bill was passed abolishing capital punishment except Martial Law sentences.

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LONDON, April 7.

The Lausanne International Olympic Games Committee decided that the seventh Olympiad shall be held at Antwerp in 1920.

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BRUSSELS, April 7.

It is reported from Paris that the Conference is unanimous in assigning to Belgium the Ruanda Urundi territories in East Africa.

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COPENHAGEN, April 7.

A message from Budapest states that Belakun made a statement that he anticipated satisfactory results from the discussions with General Smuts. He proposed to General Smuts that representatives of the Hungarian Soviet Republic, German-Austria, Juge Slavia, Roumania, Czecho Slovakia should meet at Prague or Vienna to elucidate the question of political frontiers and economic relations.

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PARIS, April 6.

Interviewed by the "Matin" Mr. Lloyd George declared that he agreed with the recent prophecy of M. Pichon that the preliminaries of peace will be ready by Easter. At the end of April or the beginning of May the Allies will be able to invite the German delegates to come and sign.

Reuter.

PARIS, April 6.

"Le Journal" says that the first instalment of the indemnity will be twenty five milliard francs, whereof five milliards will be in payment for the raw materials necessary for the resumption of the economic existence of Germany. France will receive ten, and Belgium five milliards of this instalment. The rest of the indemnity will be spread over thirty five years. The estimates of each annual payment will range from seven milliards to fifteen milliards.

Reuter.

PARIS, April 6

Messrs. Paderewski and Noulens, the French representative of the Allied Mission to Poland have arrived.

Reuter.

PARIS, April 7.

Mr. Wilson is progressing favourably. He will probably resume his seat at the Conference on Tuesday. He will receive the American delegates in his sick room to-day. He outlined the programme for the coming week, which Mr. Wilson is convinced will see a long step taken towards the realisation of peace.

Reuter.

Pending the repair of the submarine telegraph cable between the Isle of Man and England, the public telegraphic service between the two places is being conducted by wireless at the usual inland rates.

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THE SERVANT PROBLEM.

FIXED HOURS AND MINIMUM WAGE.

At the invitation of the Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Labour a meeting of domestic servants was held at the Kingston-on-Thames Labour Exchange on March 19, to consider a new scale of wages and conditions of service drawn up by the committee, and to appoint four of their number to act on a sub-committee along with an equal number of mistresses and members of the Advisory Committee to consider a scheme of servants' wages and conditions. There was a large attendance, the bulk of those present being munition workers receiving unemployment allowance who were domestic servants before the war.

Mr. T. Guilford, acting chairman of the Advisory Committee, presided, and explained that the proposed scale of wages had been considered at a meeting of mistresses, some of whom seemed to think that the wages were too low, but he wished to make it clear that they were the minimum, and any mistress applying for a servant through the Labour Exchange would be required to pay them.

Four domestic servants having been chosen to act on the committee, the chairman asked the meeting for suggestions of grievances for the committee's guidance. There was quite a stream of suggestions by the girls, including the following:

That mistresses should be compelled to provide a good home and good food.

That as shop and factory girls worked a certain number of hours each day, a servant's working hours should also be defined.

That a particular day should be stated for the weekly half-holiday, so that the mistress may not interfere, with it and the servant may be able to arrange with her friends.

Two hours off every day.

That servants should be engaged by the lunar and not by the calendar month, as the latter custom often caused loss in wages to the servant.

One girl was emphatic in her demand that the mistress should be compelled to give the servant a good home. At one place she went to, she said, her bed was nothing but a mattress on two boxes. Anything was good enough for the servant, but servants were not going to put up with that now. Another girl said when a servant left her situation the mistress should be compelled to give her a written statement to the effect that she had been in domestic service. A "reference," she said, was no good. There was some applause when a young woman said if they were to be brought to the level of the office girl, then like her, they ought to be engaged by the week and not by the month.

When the chairman remarked that the proposed minimum wage for a "general" of 18 years of age was £20 there was general laughter, and cries of "Oh!" and "It is too low!" The chairman reminded them that it was for them to get more if they could, whereupon a girl shouted, "What's the use of that? A lady won't give more than the minimum wage. She won't give more unless she's forced to." The chairman asked if all present were desirous of entering domestic service again, and there was a chorus of "Yes, provided the conditions are better!"

WAR HORSES FOR HIRE.

Fifty thousand horses and mules for light draught purposes are being placed at the disposal of the public by the British War Office. They may be hired for £7 10s. per annum, with free veterinary services and medicine.

Colonel Sir Herbert Jessel, Deputy Director of Remounts, gives the following facts on the subject.

"Up to date we have sold £7,282,000 worth of animals—horses, donkeys, mules and camels, and we are continuing to sell the remainder of the 900,000 animals which we held at the end of the war, that we consider surplus to our requirements. We loan the horses to the public. The only stipulation is that the horse has to be given up for 16 days in the year for Army training, but after six years it becomes the property of the hirer.

PREJUDICE AGAINST MULES.

"These horses or mules are not warworn, and their average value is £45. There is an absurd prejudice in England against mules; as a matter of fact they are amongst the finest animals in the world. In Egypt the price of the mule has proved higher than the horse about £37. In Salonica our horses have been sold for £41 and mules for £42. Italy has been giving tremendous prices for both—£70 for a horse and £54 for a mule, and in France and Belgium the prices have averaged just under £40. One of our mules sold for a hundred 250 guineas the other day at Tattersall's, though this was of the heavy type, which do not come under the new scheme."

MYSTERIOUS DISEASE IN SCOTLAND.

A mysterious disease has suddenly affected hundreds of people in Aberdeen. Old and young alike are suffering, and the malady is giving much anxiety to doctors. It takes the form of severe diarrhœa, and in many instance inability to use one's legs. Water and milk supplies were at once suspected, and the bulk of the evidence points to milk as the cause of the illness. Several deaths have occurred.

BRITAIN'S LOSSES IN THE WAR.

A statement was recently published in Rome to the effect that the Italian and French losses in killed in the war represented over 1.2 per cent of the populations of those countries (including their colonies), and that the losses of the British Empire represented 15 per cent of the population. It is learned from an authoritative source that the proportion which the British total of dead (including casualties at sea, but making a conservative deduction for deaths among Indian and other coloured troops) bears to the white population of the British Empire is approximately 1.3 per cent. While there is no question of belittling Italy's sacrifices, as her losses were suffered in a shorter period than ours by some nine months, it is a fact that we have suffered proportionately as much as, if not more, than any other country.

There appeared in the Parliamentary papers in a printed answer by Mr. Bonar Law, details of British and Overseas losses in the war and in enemy air-raids and bombardments on England. From these tables the following totals are arrived at:

Killed and Died	797,451
Wounded and Injured	2,059,136
Missing	66,658

In the Royal Navy the losses were as follows:-

	Officers.	Men.
Killed	2,061	20,197
Wounded	813	4,081
Untraced Missing	15	6
	2,889	24,284

These figures do not include the casualties of the Royal Naval Division, but include those of the Royal Naval Air Service to April 1, 1918, the date of its transfer to the Royal Air Force. Separate figures for the Dominions are not available.

The approximate number of casualties among all military forces and for all theatres of operations, from the commencement of war, revised to date, is as follows:-

	British Officers	British Other Ranks.
Killed and died	30,807	466,831
Wounded	76,132	1,532,552
	Colonials & Indians. Officers	Other Ranks.
Killed and died	7,602	168,703
Wounded	17,125	421,402
Total killed and died		673,943
Total wounded		2,047,211
Add deaths presumed on lapse of time		97,600
Missing, at present unaccounted		64,800
Total casualties		2,882,954

The above figures include the casualties of the Royal Naval Division and also the casualties of the Royal Flying Corps to April 1, 1918. The number of casualties in the Royal Air Force from April 1, 1918, to the date of the armistice was as follows:-

	Officers.	Other Ranks.
Killed	1,551	1,129
Wounded	2,857	631
Missing (including prisoners)	1,612	225
Interned	45	39
Totals	5,565	2,024

The missing were nearly all prisoners of war, who have now practically all been repatriated.

The number of casualties (including members of his Majesty's Forces) due to enemy air-raids and bombardments is as follows:-

Killed	Injured
1,570	4,041

EX-KAISER'S FORTUNE.

The "Lokal Anzeiger" says that it learns from competent quarters that before the seizure of his private fortune by the present Government, the ex-Kaiser was remitted 600,000 marks through Dutch banks. When the ex-Kaiser expressed a wish for an advance on his property for the purchase of Dutch landed property, the Government placed 1,000,000 marks at his disposal. For the rest, all legal questions connected with the future treatment of the ex-Kaiser's property are being investigated by a Commission, comprising representatives both of the Government and the ex-Kaiser, as well as non-official experts. It is already said to be certain that the ex-Kaiser's own private fortune will be quite untouched.

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QUEER DREAMS.

"SARDINE RACING."

The Freudian theory of dreams as fantastical expressions of a carefully-concealed desire, the form of the nocturnal play being suggested by some recent physical experience, does not explain the following complicated nightmare. A middle-aged person dreamt he was at the National Sporting Club, getting ready to fight a 15-round contest with a big, hefty youth, an ugly customer to look at. While searching for a pair of boxing boots—he had forgotten to bring any—he found to his surprise that everybody had left the theatre and assembled in the supper-room, where they were eagerly bending over a long, narrow tank on the floor. They were racing sardines, taking them out of a tin in pairs and betting large sums on each race. This seemed to him, however, to give him a chance of escaping a fight which would only end in a humiliating defeat. So he doffed his boxing gear hurriedly — but excepting his shirt, all his clothes had disappeared. He was searching the theatre for his trousers, when all the members flocked back and began jeering at his bare shanks, which were certainly not so "beautiful" as Alan Quatermaine's. He awoke to find the bedclothes had slipped down, which accounts for part of the dream. But how did the sardine-racing come in?

LONDON AND THE WAR.

Lovers of London will be glad that something is being done in the way of the preservation and, where necessary, the replacing of London's trees. The war has borne hardest on Nature in London, and there might have been temptation to let down the general standard, which would have been a sad pity, for summer London owes very much to its trees, its grassy spaces and its flowers. There are great scars—honourable scars—to be healed. The Inns of Court are setting a good example in their gardens, and something is being done already in the parks, where much more will be possible as soon as we can get rid of the hideous buildings which disfigure some of them still. Palmerston was never more happily inspired than when he said of the Green Park that what Londoners wanted was not landscape gardening, but great stretches of green grass, and the grass cannot be too soon restored to us.

ALEXANDRIA MAIL DELIVERY.

The General Post Office notices as follows:-

Endeavours will be made to deliver ordinary correspondence to the public in the habit of receiving it from house to house postmen if they will call, or send written authority for its delivery to bearer, at the Poste Restante windows of Alexandria Central Post Office.

Subscribers in Alexandria who have not received their copies of the "Gazette" by post, will find them at the Central Post Office as above. The Ramleh mail is being delivered as usual, although with some delay.

U.F.N.

Ten British mine-sweepers have arrived at Salonika. There are already five British cruisers and twenty American mine-sweepers at the port.

NOTICE.

Any person having claims against the estates of the following deceased officers:

Lt.-Colonel A. W. Hazel, O.B.E., Inspectorate of Recruiting, Capt. J. A. Nicholas, R.F.A., or either of them, should forward their claims with proofs, to the President, Committee of Adjustment, 3rd Echelon, G. H. Q., E. E. F., on or before Thursday the 17th day of April 1919, after which date no claims will be considered.

A. K. FLETCHER,
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ALEXANDRIA.

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Barometer reduced to 0°C., Sea-level	inches
and Mean Gravity [mm]	28.1 = 29.92
Wind Direction	S.S.E.
Wind Velocity [in kms. p. hour]	20
Wind Force [0-10]	3
State of sky	Clouded
State of sea	Very slight
Air temperature Dry bulb	20.9
Air temperature Wet bulb thermometer	18.7
Air temperature Max. for previous day	23.3
Air temperature Min. " " night	17.8
Black bulb thermo. at 2 p.m. yesterday	54
Relative Humidity	44
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 8 a.m. [mm]	0.0
Evaporation " " [mm]	3.0
	Observer H. SHERIF.

MARCHE DE MINET-EL-BASSAL.

9 AVRIL 1919.

PRIX DES CEREALES.

Blés:-			
Qualité Beheri	Cond. Saha	P.F.	306 - 312
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Cotons:- Arrivages:-
Balles 747 contre meme jour de l'année précédente 1.551.
Graines de coton: Ardebs 373 contre meme jur en 1918: 13.612.
Oignons: —— contre meme jour en 1918: 2.689.

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Middling Upland: 28.25
Futures: Mai 24.77.
Futures: Juillet 22.46.
Futures: Octobre 20.58.
Futures: Decembre 20.20.
Contrats Nouveaux:
Mai: 24.77.
Juillet: 22.46.
Octobre: 20.58.
Decembre: 20.20.

NEW ORLEANS.

Middling Spot: 26.25.
Futures: Mai 23.05.
Futures: Juillet 22.30.
Contrats Nouveaux:
Mai: 23.70.
Juillet: 22.10.

PRIX DES SACS.

	P.T.	
Sacs a coton 3lbs	11.	- 11.15
Sacs a graines 5lbs	10.	- 10.15
Sacs a graines 3 1/4lbs	7.15	- 7.35
Sacs a céréales 2 1/2lbs	6.	- 6.10
Sacs a riz 2 1/4 lbs	5.	- 5.10
Sacs a oignons "	3.	- 3.10

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North Country	265 - 270
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Gaz Coke	319 - 330
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