

INIQUITIES OF MONTE CARLO

Beauty Spot of Nature, but Fosters Evil Impulses.

LIST OF ITS VICTIMS IS LARGE

One Year's Receipts Come to Seven and Half Million Dollars—Has Diplomatic Advantage.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Increasing support is being given to the suggestion that the career of the notorious gambling resort at Monte Carlo should be ended. The Monte Carlo casino has been responsible for more than any other institution of any kind in the world...

Here are a few: December 3, 1904—Harold Clarke, son of a distinguished San Francisco family and a law student of New York, shot himself through the head in the Hotel Regina, Paris. He had just returned from Monte Carlo, where he lost all his money at the tables.

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"Every day in the season a score or more of men and women apply to the Casino office for a dose to pay their hotel bills and their fare home. Some time ago a British officer, who had lost every penny, was given a free Peninsular and Oriental ticket to Calcutta and \$120. The sums paid out by the Casino range from \$25 to \$12,000. But in spite of the toll on its profits, the Casino has made millions sterling out of the gamblers who try to break the bank. Last year its total receipts came to \$1,540,496, an increase of \$753,490 in the year before. After every expense had been defrayed there was a close on \$5,000,000 for distribution among the shareholders at the rate of \$70 a share. This was equal to 100 per cent on the original value of the share.

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"The government of every country is perfectly aware that the Monte Carlo should be suppressed, but the diplomatic situation makes action impossible, and France, under whose protection Monte Carlo exists, is placed in a most difficult position. The authorities at Monte Carlo do their best to preserve order in the rooms, but it is perfectly impossible to keep out rogues of both sexes. Whenever you have unrestricted gambling you will have attendant crime. The suicides at Monte Carlo I regard as only a minor part of the evil. There must be thousands of tragedies in all parts of Europe which could be traced back to the gambling rooms at Monte Carlo. An impression that the suppression of Monte Carlo would prove a more practical and nobler work for humanity than the advancement of impossible propositions at The Hague peace conference."

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TROUBLE IN THE WAR OFFICE Lord Kitchener and Officials of War Department Said to Be in Conflict.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Lord Kitchener and the heads of the War office are stated to be once more in collision. Lord Kitchener is said to desire the appointment of a certain well known general, and to be in the command of the troops at Quetta when Lieutenant General H. L. Smith-Dorrien comes home to take command at Aldershot, while the selection

board, at the head of which stands at present the duke of Connaught, demands free and unrestricted choice in the selection of a general for this position, so that at the moment the situation is rather pregnant. As the appointment is one of the most important in the Indian army, there is a considerable amount of intrigue going on in the neighborhood of Pall Mall on behalf of certain generals who have, however, only a very poor chance of being selected.

GERMANY'S DEBT IS LOAD

Steady Decline in Prussian Consols Along with English Securities in Market.

BERLIN, Sept. 9.—(Special.)—Side by side with the fall in English consols there has been a steady decline in German and Prussian consols, until he reached 9 1/2. The loss involved will be evident from the fact that in 1906 he averaged 10 1/2. In other words, investments in these two classes of securities have entailed nominal losses ranging from 11 to over 25 per cent during the last ten years. Capital invested in 1903 in these securities, which was sold at a profit of 2 per cent in 1906 has been diminished by one-fourth. The 1 1/2 per cent consols of other German states besides Prussia show a similar decline, and where 1 per cent have been issued they are quoted today at 7 1/2. It seems at first sight legitimate to ascribe this general decline to the issue of 4 per cent state securities, but when the recently-issued German and Prussian 4 per cent treasury bonds have failed for weeks to find purchasers at par and today sell below that level, it is evident that other causes for the deterioration must be sought.

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WEALTH IN A PEANUT CROP. Rise of the Goober Since the Civil War. GIVES MANY PEOPLE A LIVING. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Sept. 7.—Before the civil war the Virginian who had a cow or a horse or even poultry and worked a vegetable garden, however small, gave a corner of his lot to the raising of the goober pea, known to the outside world as the peanut and to science as Arachis hypogaea.

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