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“S.F.P.”

Mr and Mrs Cookson are staying at the E & O.

Mr F Adelborg and Baroness Adelbor are staying at the E & O Hotel.

Baron Goto left Tokio for America on March 4th on an unofficial visit.

Inspector Worton, of the Kuala Lumpur Central Police Station, and Mrs Worton have come down to Singapore on holiday. —“S.T.”

His friends in Prai will entertain Mr Oh Kee Eow of the Prye Dock to a “ronggeng” performance on the occasion of his marriage in Penang to-morrow.


Lt.-Col. John Warden, D S O, is passing through Hongkong on his way to Vladivostok, to join the British Mission here. He is a Canadian, who fought in France and with the Baku expedition.

According to the “Japan Gazette” the British Ambassador, Sir Conyngham Greene, Lady Lily Greene, and Miss Greene will leave Yokohama on 15th March by the Shinyo Maru en route for home, via America.

Mr H Starr, Penang, has received a group photograph of Captain W Hamilton, Mrs Hamilton and their three sons and two daughters. The sons are all in the Army, the youngest an officer and the others non-commissioned officers.


The following arrived at Penang to-day from Singapore by the Ipoh: Mrs Mc-






Carthy, Miss Rothe, Mrs Trupp, Messrs J Ingram, W M Baker, R H Poe Oik, A A Willox, H R Moullin, McGill, Fitzgerald, Ong Eng Suan and Heng Tich.


Lt Col H F Head, R A, Messrs C W T Lewis, F J L Mayger, A D G Lecke, W Leggatt, K M Bryson, H Lowen, D Sutte, J Ross, F H Muttall P J Fitzgerald, W M Baker, A A Willox, D Richards, Mr and Mrs Newman, Miss L Brooke, Mr F Long, miss E F Rothe, Mr and Mr H Young are staying at the E & O Hotel.



On board the s/s Van Waerwijck was Jonkheer Onlendijk, the newly-appointed Dutch Ambassador to China. He is a C M G—the only Dutch subject who has been so honoured. He was formerly Holland's Minister in Russia and while there did some good work for Great Britain. He has his wife with him. She is an Englishwoman and a Dame of the Order of the British Empire.



A Shanghai paper reports the death, in Belgium, of Mr H E Blunt, of the Peking Office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Mr Blunt was Home on leave in 1914, and immediately on the declaration of war he joined the Yeomanry. Since then he has seen much service in the Army and was looking forward to returning to civil life when he was struck down with influenza. A telegram received by the Bank announced his death. The late Mr Blunt was an able Chinese scholar, and his decease is a big loss to the Bank.



The following are the names of Naval and Military Officers passing through Penang by the Peleus en route to the Far East. They stayed at the E. & O. Hotel last night. Lieut. J S White, R N R, Capt. J G Spottiswoode, R E, Lieut. A C Wilson R E; Capt. R C Green, Lieut. Com. J S Brown, R N, Capt. B G Horrocks, Capt. Beverly, Capt. W E Harry, R E, Lieut. T R Kirkpatrick, Surgeon J O Sleig, R N, Lieut. R D Gillespie, Capt. Dobbs, Lieut. D H Neville and C A Dixon, R N. The military men are proceeding to Vladivostok and the Naval units to Hongkong.

The "C. Critic" is informed that a Japanese Consulate is to be opened shortly at Irkutsk, as this city on Lake Baikal is becoming a large centre of trade and

commerce.

A Russian-English daily is now being published in Vladivostok under the editorship of Mr B P Lopatine. The new publication, which is called the "Echo," is described by its publisher as "an impartial, democratic paper."

It anyone who really understood horses and had a thorough acquaintance with racing here liked to go home and spend a year or two there, or even in Australia, picking up a few as he came across them he could, barring accidents of travel, make a lot of money. As it is, an owner here usually wires to a dealer in Australia that he wants a horse of a certain class the news gets round that there is another fool in the market for horseflesh, and all sorts of things are fired in till sooner or later the dealer comes to an arrangement. If it is not that, then a bunch is sent up with one or two good ones and about six stumers who have been given up by down south owners because they are beyond racing and their performances are flaunted round and the bait is soon swallowed. It only wants one or two owners to get together and find someone outside the training and riding circles who knows a good horse when he sees him, and finance him to spend a year or so away to pick up things quietly at country or small meetings to get a sound lot of youngsters of decent quality here. Meanwhile we hear that negotiations are in hand for getting up some smart ponies for Malayan racing.—