

AUSTRIANS HERE ARE CALLED ON TO RETURN HOME

Consul-General Says Partial Mobilization Has Been Ordered.

GREEKS READY TO JOIN IN THE FRAY

Five Thousand Prepared to Start from Montreal at Moment's Notice.

With the receipt by the Austro-Hungarian Consul-General in this city of notice of the "partial mobilization" of his country's army, Canada may be said now to be on the point of yielding up the first portion of her population to participate in the European war. Hermann Hann von Hagenheim, the Austrian diplomat, made it quite clear to a Star representative this morning that the order is only for "partial mobilization," and that only a few hundred of Austrians in the Dominion will be affected by it. Each and all of the men who now stand ready to be called will be specially summoned from Austria and will receive from their country the special tickets or leaflets in accordance with the army regulations.

Greece, whose King has let it be known that he will furnish 100,000 to aid Serbia in the fight has taken time by the forelock. For weeks past her representative in this city, J. Ponsonby-Sexton, has been receiving proclamations from the Minister of Foreign Affairs in Athens, calling men to the colors, and as they are received they are transmitted to the minister of the Orthodox Greek Church, and there read out. Altogether there are 10,000 Greeks in this city, about one half of whom are liable to serve.

At the Italian Consulate no notice of mobilization of the Italian army had been received at noon today. If such arrives the Italian Consul, Signor G. Chilesotti will take the necessary steps to communicate with those of his countrymen who are liable to serve, he having duly filed at the consulate the names of the 2,000 Italians who will have to answer the call.

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"There are about 10,000 Greeks in this city," said the Greek Consul to a Star representative this morning, "and I suppose about one-half of them will be compelled to go to the front if the worst happens in Europe. The King of Greece has offered 100,000 men to aid Serbia, and whatever may be the cause of the calls, I have for weeks past been receiving proclamations calling out those liable to serve, and the notices have been sent on to the Greek Orthodox Church in accordance with the regulations. Whether this trouble has been in the minds of the authorities or not I do not know, but it is certain that for some time past there has been an attempt to put things in order.

"The Greeks are among the first to respond to the call of the homeland. Many of them here are very wealthy, but at the first sign of trouble they are off to take their part. It is astonishing, too, the amount of money which the Greek community remits 'home' for all sorts of purposes. Here in Canada the Greeks do well. They are largely engaged in the fruit trade, and poverty among them is practically unknown."

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"'Parental mobilization' of the Austro-Hungarian army has been ordered," said the Austro-Hungarian Consul-General. "Those who are liable to join their regiments will receive special tickets or leaflets in accordance with the army regulations, and upon receipt of this, they must at once go and join the colors. It may be that some of them who have not the necessary money, will apply for help, and naturally the Consulate will do what it can. I do not think the number called for now in Canada will be great; the call is confined to a small number of army corps and I do not suppose that more than a few hundreds will now be affected.

"There is absolutely no intention on the part of the Austrian Government to crush Serbia, but the government is determined to obtain, if necessary by force, what she has hitherto failed to get by friendly representations—a cessation of the troublesome and provocative machinations quite close to her borders."

NO WORD FROM ITALY.

Signor G. Chilesotti, the Italian Consul, told The Star this afternoon he had received no orders from Italy as to mobilization. "If such should come along about 2,000 men in Canada would have to join their regiments, and due notice would be given by him.

"Italy's position," said the Consul, "is quite clear. If Austria is attacked by any other nation, we shall go to her aid. Our interest is centred in the Triple Alliance. For many years Italian sympathy with England was very great, for within her borders our countrymen always found a haven of refuge. When, however, Italy was engaged in war with Tripoli, Britain put a good many difficulties in our way, and there is not now the sympathy there was in days gone by."