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#### THE EARLY LIFE OF LEO TOLSTOY Lord Ponsonby

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#### 託爾斯泰的早期生活

Tolstoy showed no particular talent for anything as a child, though he was original, and quite determined not to do things like other people. When he came into the drawing room, for instance, he insisted upon bowing to people backwards. bending his head the wrong way, and saluting each person thus in turn. He was not good at his lessons, and mentions somewhere that a student who came to teach him and his brothers said about them: "Serge both" wishes and can. Dmitry wishes but can't (This was wishes nor can (Tolstoy I think was perfectly true)."

雖然思惟新穎,所做所爲决 心與衆不同,兒童時代的莊蘇斯 泰並沒有表現什麼特殊的材能了 比喻說,他走進會客室的時候, 對人鞠躬,一定頭向後仰,向每 人輪流敬意。 他的功觀也不高明 ,在某處他這樣說過:有一位學 生來數他和兩位弟弟的書,這位 願讀又能讀,得米茁顯讀,但不 not true), and Leo neither a能讀(這層不確),理阿旣不顧

This was characteristic of Tolstoy, who was always hard on himself. But if the tutor lived to see what Tolstoy became, he must have been rather ashamed of his lack of perception.

Before Tolstoy was sixteen he entered a university with his brothers. There no doubt that. like many other young people, he hated study, though he 'worked hard and passed well in languages. In history, and geography he failed, and being asked to name the French seaports, he could net remember a single one. He left the University rather disgusted with himself and despising intellectual things. His companions had not really understood him, for he was a strange mixture. Sometimes he was very proud and aristocratic, vet with advanced Liberal views; and he was moody. at one moment wildly gay. at another sunk in gloom.

對的)。」這就是託爾斯泰的特色,他老是對自己不客氣的。但是那位老師如其活得命長,看見託爾斯泰的成就,他一定要愧死,承認自己無知人之明。

還沒有到十六歲託爾斯泰就 同他的兄弟仍考進了一所大學。 毫無疑問的,同許多其他的青年 一樣;他很讀書,雖然他與用功 ,而且語文的課程也都等得很對 • 歷史和地理,他都不及格;先 **华要他說出法國海口的名字**,他 一個也記不起《他解開丁大學》 關厭惡自己,而且輕視智力的活 動●他的友件沒有異正的了解他 ,因爲他是複雜的怪物。有時, 他很傲慢,貴族氣味很邊,可是 他又有自由主義者進步的見解; 他的心情易變,一會兒與高彩烈 ,過一會見,抑鬱愁苦。他老是

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He always looked upon the worst side of himself, and wrote in his diary that he was awkward, uncleanly, irritable, a bore to others, ignorant, intolerant, and shamfaced as a child: there was no end to the names he called Himself, He admits that he is honest and that he loves goodness, but on the whole he is very unfair to himself, for the reason that he had set up such a high ideal to live up to.

Now he intended, though only nineteen, to devote nimself to his peasants. He knew of the sufferings of the serfs, the famines and revolts. For a time he worked among them and earnt to know all about their lives. But he was too young, and lacked patience at present to do much good. After six months, rather liscouraged and disappointed, he was off on a different He made his experience. nome now at St. Petersburg.

朝最壞的方面看他自己,在白記 裏說自己笨拙,不整潔,脾氣壞, 分人計厭,愚昧,褊窄,同小孩一樣的審羞:總之,他把自己 罵得一塌糊涂。他自認誠實而愛 好美德,他從大體看來,他自己 關欠公允,理由是他所追求的理 想太高了。

才十九歲,他就立意專心為 農人謀幸福。他深知農奴底痛苦 ,和饑饉及叛亂的情形。有一個 時候,他參加他們一同工作,漸 漸地知道了他們生活底一切。但 是他太年青,還沒有耐性來多做 好事。六個月以後,相當爽氣而 失望,他走開了,領略不同的經 驗。他在聖彼得堡住家,度着曼 醫者從逸的生涯。他並非不知識

where he was most frivolous and idle. He understood quite well what a stupid life he was leading. and in a religious book he wrote in after years, called "My Confession," he says that though he honestly desired to be good, he stood alone in his heart for a virtuous life, he met with contempt and mocking laughter, but every time he was frivolous or wicked, he was praised and encouraged.

Yet on the whole this gay life at St. Petersburg was not altogether useless. It taught him something, and he was not really spoilt by it. He was big enough and intelligent enough to see the utter futility and uselessness of such a life. It gave him, he says, a score for aristocracy and the life of rich people generally, whose whole existence was a "masia of saffishness."

Tolstey's favourise brother

過避種生活是如何蠢笨,在他晚年所寫的一本宗教意味的書,叫做「我的懺悔」裏,他說,我雖然就意求善,老是孤單作戰,毫無鼓勵與援助。每次表示他心中的熱望要做一個好人,人家老是輕視他,嘲笑他;但是他輕得放容的時候,人家總誇獎他,鼓勵他。

在整彼得保這種放蕩生活,整個看來,倒不是完全無用。它不會完全敗壞他,倒指點了他懂得不少事情。他年紀不少,隨明很多,懂得這種生活之毫無是處。據他說,這種生活使他看不起 雖被說,這種生活使他看不起 雖被說,這種生活使他看不起 雖就是一般富人的生活,他們整 Nicholas, who as serving in the Russian army, saw what an unsatisfactory state his brother was in, and so persuaded Leo to become a soldier and join him in the Caucasus. This Leo was only too glad to do. He says in a letter at that time: "God willing, I will emend, and become a steady man at last."

Now, the open air, primitive life in this part of Russia quite restored Tolstoy to himself, and he began to write. His first book, "Childhood", was written and published when he was there. This novel, though not strictly speaking a history of his own childhood, is mostly about his own vouthful life; the incidents that occur in it, are many of them true, and the characters are taken from friends and relations. It is a very wonderful book, as showing how vividly Tolstoy remembered his own feelings as a

託爾斯泰最喜歡的哥哥,尼 古拉斯,當時在國軍隊中服役。 他知道弟弟的處境是如何不痛快 ,因此他勘理阿同他在高加索一 起當兵。理阿極高與遵辦。在當 時的一封信裏他說道,「上帝的 好意,我要改過自新,最後變成 一個正常的人。」

在高加索方面,温暖的空氣 ,模素的生活,使託爾斯泰恢復 了常態;他開始著作了。第一部 會,「童年時代」就是在那兒寫 完,那兒出版的。」這部小說, 雖然嚴格說來不是他的童年史, 倒大半是關於他自己的少年生活 ;內中許多故事都是異的,人物 也多半是朋友和親戚。這是一本 非常的舊,顯然託爾斯泰是何等 must felt and suffered, and what powers of thought out observation must have been. He continued his book, and brought out later other volumes "Boyhoed" and "Youth". They are all three full of beautiful things. Tolstoy also wrote about the Caucasus, a novel called "The Cossacks", a romantic story of the strange, wild people who inhabit this part of Russia.

Tolstoy after Sebastopol left the army and went back to St. Petersburg, this time to live in a literary circle, where he was welcomed by distinguished authors as the most promising writer of the day. Nobody, after reading "Childhood" or "Sebastopol," could fail to see Tolstey's marvellous genius for seeing things as they are and his gift of expression. But he grew impatient in this circle, for his views were tee advanced

生動地說得他兒童時候的感情, 他感覺和遭受的是何等認刻,他 的思想與觀察的能力是何等敏銳 。他把選本書機靜下去,後來出 了厂幼年時代」與厂少年時代。 一遭三本書內容美不勝受。託爾 斯泰還寫了一本關於高加索的外 說,即做厂哥薩克人,一是高加 索怪異野變的人民浪漫的故事。

不久託爾斯泰麗離軍隊,回 到聖彼得堡,這次他和一季文人 住在一起,著名的作家都歡迎他 ,認他為當時最有希望的作者。 讀過(兒童時代)或「塞把斯托堡 」的人,定能了解託爾斯泰洞察 臺物的繁人的天才以及他的發表 and his love of truth too

strong. He could not agree

with people, and he could

not pretend to agree with

quarrelsome and conceited,

So he was though

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的才能。但是他在這一葉文人中 過得不耐煩了,因為他的見解太 進步,而愛眞理的熱忱又太強。 他既不能履意從人,又不能假意 周旋•所以人家以為他好吵門, 自負,意見荒謬。他老是追問事 情,例如生存之意義。他自己是 否有用;他决不把任何事情當做 當然的。在廿七歲以前,他即已 **拘了宏大的志願,要專心致力於** 建立一個新宗教一一實際即基督

and his opinions absurd. He was always questioning things, such as the meaning of existence, and whether he himself was of any use; he would take nothing as a matter of course. Already, before he was twenty-seven, he had conceived the great idea of devoting his life to founding a new Religionthe Religion of Christianity, in fact, but classed of all its dogmas, which are nothing to do with Christianity: a practical religion, giving happiness to earth, not merely the promise of

> From Rebels and Reformers. (1917)

future happiness.

# \*New Type Of Warfare In The Pacific:

# Allied Stash Japanese Communications<sup>1</sup>

Pacific the development of a new type of warfare," says the military correspondent of the Sunday Times.

The Navy, the Army and Air Force have been pulling together for at least 18 months with the most remarkable success. What is so striking now, however, is the outcome of this tribious warfare and the lines on which it is developing.

At different times "the stress has been laid on landings, on attrition of the enemy's shipping and aircraft, on the need for island-hopping and on progression from airfield to airfield." The key to the whole matter, however, lies in the fact that war today is more than ever before a war of communications. What we are really doing in the Pacific is

smashing Japan's communications as well as her \*means of communication."

Communications comprise the railways in Burma, and harbours 12 and airfields everywhere; means of communications are trucks, 13 engines, ships, barges 14 and aircraft.

Now Japan's main lines of communication are land routes in China, Malaya, Burma and on bigger islands;15 secondly, the sea route which hugs the Chinese shore inside Formosa and the Philippines down to Bangkok and Singapore, 16 and, thirdly. \*the sea line to the southwest which, until the last few months, fed the outpost line of the Marshalls. New Guinea and the Solomons.17 This south-western line is the one that has so far suffered the most.

The secret of the combined combined strategy of Admiral Nimitz and General Macarthur, is two independent commankers working as one, lies in their clever alternation of neutralizing tactics with attack and of by-passing with assaults. In this way the Japanese south-western line of communications has been paralyzed at Truk.

When the Allies hold Guam
or Saipan, 25 the Japanese
base Just north of it, the
line will be closed. The
seas will be clear for an approoch to the Philippines 24
which are absolutely essen.
tial 25 to Japan for her southern sea route beyond Hong-

kong and Formosa. One of the tentacles of that sea route ends at Amboina, 26 the former \*Dutck base 27 only 580 miles from Darwin. 28

A year ago. Sa Japanese would have been feverishly overhauling the defences of all the airfields on its approaches from the west and south.20 Today they are wondering whether that is enough, for the art of constructing airstrips from jungless has been developed so marvellously by American and Australian engineer that it may be impossible for Tokyo to foresee where the next Allied leaps<sup>31</sup> will be mude.

#### NOTES

1. 太平洋上之新型戰爭:國軍漢斷日本交通。 2. 我們目擊。 3. 是關秦聯上報的軍事記者。 4. 鹽海公軍協力作戰。 5. 海陸空聯合戰 等的結果。 8. 戰事發團的途傳。 7. 注意發降,新損數人之報喪與稅 被,結島戰爭之數與及從此一種揚潭縣至另一徵協。 3. 全局之能錄,數於比一事實,即今日之戰爭,較前是張,關係一交通戰爭也。 9. 交通工具。 10. 包括。 11. 鐵路。 12. 海港。 13. 卡車。 14. 平底服。 15. 日本之重要交通終是在中國,周來亞。麵甸,及其他較大島 晚上之豐路交通幾。 16. 接近中國海岸與台灣及非列賽間之海上路縫一 直到銀谷聚新加坡。 17, 直到最近數月為止,其往两南部之海緣是爲縣



THE CUP OF BITTERNESS.

爾黎島,新麗尼亞及所屬門塞島之前哨補給粮食。 18. 尼米茲上將及麥克阿瑟將軍聯合戰略之觀決。 19. 由於其敬化戰術(即先利用空軍炸毀敵人阿地)與登陵攻擊以達敵陣的聽敬的更替運用。21. 吳其作用。21. 土魯克。 22. 關島。 23. 瑟班。 24. 由非列賓入口之各海面幣被肅语。 25. 絕對重要。 26. 有一條海殺之尖端。 直到安波那島(安汝島)。 27. 荷蘭基地。 28. 淺爾女准。 29. 一年前日本也許會很緊張地奇動自西部及南部入口之各機場的防禦工事。 30. 在最初地荷建造稅機場。 31. 臨鴻。

# SENSE & COMMONSENSE }

#### \*THE NEW MOON!

"Oh, what a lovely new moon!" said Elsie as she looked up into the sky yesterday evening.

"Yes," said her father. "Isn't it a pity that it will not remain new? Even now it is not perfectly new but a day or two old. Soon it will reach its first quarter and in less than a fortnight it will be a full meon. In about three weeks it will be in its third quarter, and in a month there will be another new moon. It is always waxing and waning —that is, getting bigger and then smaller."

"Does it really get bigger and smaller again?" asked

"Not really," replied her father. "It is only the elighted up parts that waxes and wanes. As you know, the moon has no light of its own. The sun lights it up. It shines, as we say, with the sun's ereflected light. But the lighted up part is not always turned towards us. At new moon it is hardly turned towards us at all: at full moon it is completely turned in our direction."

"How can I tell whether I am looking at a moon that is waxing or waning?" asked Elsie.

"Think of the clock-face," said her father. "If the curved part" of the moon which you see is on the right, where the "smaller numbers" on the clock-face are, then the moon is waxing (getting bigger). If the moon's curve is on the left side, where the "larger numbers" on the clock-face are, then the moon is nearing the end of its

### Words Liable To Be Confused

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53. Throttle, choke, smother, strangle.

To theottle or strangle is to stop the breaty by compressing the throat from the outside.

- Ex. 1. He siezed him by the throat and throttle him.
  - 2. The Thugs were men who strangled their victims.
  - 3. All may be used figuratively.

To cheke is to check the breath by stopping the windpipe.

Ex. The smoke chaked me.

It may be used intransitively, as:

Ex. He swallowed too large a mouthful and choked.

To smother is to stop the breath by closing up the mouth and nose.

Ex. 1. Richard III is supposed to have murdered the young princes by having them smothered with pillows.

monthly round. The word month is really moon-th, you know. The Red Indians, 12 you may remember, counted their time by moons, or months. Perhaps you would like to know that we call the different shapes of the moon its phases."

"Oh, we have had quite enough hard words," said Elsie, laughing and running off quickly.

#### NOTES

1. 新月. 2. 健康. 3. 四分之一. 4. 查. 5. 新. 6. 亮 的部分. 7. 反光. 8. 鲸面. 9. 弧形部分· 10. 小數目(排1, 2)3,等)。11. 大數目(指19,11,12年). 18. 美國印第安人。 2. Othello smothered Desdemona with a pillow. 54. Transfer, transmit, Convey.

These words differ more by their use than by their meaning, and although they all mean to take, or send from one place to another, they cannot be used indifferently.

Convey. Merchandise, goods or persons are conveyed by rail, carriage, or by sea.

Transfer. The use of this word is best known by the following examples:

- Ex. 1. He was transferred from the Ministry of Finance to the Ministry of Education.
  - 2. I shall transfer my custom to a cheaper shop.
  - 3. The headquarters of the society will be transferred to a more central part of the town.
  - 4. It is often difficult to transfer one's thoughts to paper.
  - ferred from one mind to another. This is known as thought transference.
- Transmit. Telegraphic messages, wireless communications, ideas and the like are said to be transmitted.
- 55. Wages, fee, salary, fane, income, tax, duty, licence, rent, pension.

Wages denotes the money paid by the day, week or month to workmen and servants.

A fee is the sum paid to a professional man, such as a lawyer, dector, or professor, for a special service. The Rent is a sum paid regularly for the use of a house or land. A pension is a sum paid at fixed periods to servants or employees no longer at work owing to age or incapacity.

# NEWS AND VIEWS

Americans Capture
Hollandia in Biggest
Air, Sea Operation
of S.W. Pacific

American troops have capured the important Japanese air base of Hollandia,<sup>2</sup> on the north coast of Dutch New Guinea,<sup>3</sup> following landings at three points along a 150-mile stretch of coast. According to a statement issued today (April 24) by General MacArthur's headquarters they comprised the largest \*land, sea and air operation ever undertaken in the South-West Pacific.

Some of the largest aircraft-carriers of the U.S. Navy and cruisers and destreyers of the Royal Australian Navy took part in the operation.10

\*Frontline correspondents" says these handings "took

A fee is the sum paid to a professional man, such as a lawyer, doctor, or professor, for a special service. The phrase "School fees" is generally used to denote money paid for education at a school.

Salary is the money paid by the menth or year to professional people, such as clerks, teachers, officials, managers.

Faces means money paid for a journey or voyage.
Income denotes the total income earned or received yearly or periodically.

A fax is a sum levied by the central or local authorities on income, property, or commodities.

Duty is a sum levied on the value of goods received, used, or imported.

A licence is a privilege given by the government in return for a fee.

the Japanese completely by surprise. Recent heavy Allied air attacks against Wewak! and Madang! where they evidently expected Allied landings to be made.

## 2. Germans Nervously<sup>1</sup> Await Invasion

Brigadier? Anstey, well-known commentator of the Sunday Times, says that it is clear from the enemy press that all Europe is waiting for the Allied invasion. The German attitue, he states varies from completely composure to irritation and marked uneasiness.

"A German writer has maively admittes that it is most annoving to have \*powerful forces locked up in the West waiting for an invasion which does not come, when they are \*needed so desperately10 in the East. More and more is the pleat being made by the apologists for German setbacks in Russia12that the Germans cannot be strong everywhere and that the defeat of the Western invasion is of primary importance. For if the Allies succeeded in the West, all would be lost."

3. The "Human Torpedo"
Volunteers' from Britain's

\*Submarine Service\* elad in \*diving suits' and \*sitting astride\* the body of a torpedo have been operating\* 'human torpedoes,' the newest and most dramatic addition to our \*naval armoury.'

Human torpedoes are the same size and shape as ordinary torpedoes. They are driven by electric batteries and each has a crew of two.

The charge, similar to the warhead. of a torpedo, is attached to the nose. The craft. is manoeuvred at slow speed towards its target. and dives under it. The charge is then detached from the main body and fixed to the bottom of the enemy ship.

The "time fuse" is set sand the "human torpedo", now minus its warhead, is driven clear of the target area before the charge explodes.

The men responsible for sperating the new weapon are amongest the pick of Submarine Service.

Two references to Britain's determination to prosecute the war against Japan' until she is decisively defeated have again been voiced in London.

Major-General Sir Frederick Maurice, President of the British Legion, told the annual Convention that after the war conscription would most certainly be continued.

'We shall have fined to a very considerable army for enemy territory in Europe as well as for carrying on the war with Japan,' he said. 'The younger classes will still be called up.' There will be very little demobili-

sation<sup>11</sup> when we are \*finished with Germany.''<sup>12</sup>

\*Admiral of the Fleet<sup>13</sup>
Lord<sup>14</sup> Chatfield told a meeting of \*war workers: <sup>15</sup> 'Although the German Navy has
now been mastered and the
\*number of sinkings under
convoy reduced to one in a
thousand, <sup>17</sup> \*work has not
slackened. <sup>18</sup> We are planning
for a more active war against Japan for which ships,
\*sea bases and \*repair establishments abread which
are required, are being prepared.

#### NOTES

- 1. 佔領 2. 日本重要的空軍巡詢符勵帶亞 3. 荷麗新燈尼亞 4. 登壕 5. 臺灣阿勒特軍總部發出的申明 6. 海陸 空聯合作戰 7. 航空母艦 8. 巡洋艦 9. 驅逐艦 10. 皇家澳洲海軍會參加作戰 11. 前線的配着 12. 完全出日寇之不意而要 擊之 13. 咸正克 14. 通富
- 2. 1. 神情不安, 2. 族長· 3. 星期太晤士報壽名的評論宗。 2. 4. 敵人的報紙, 5. 等候盟軍侵入, 6. 学全鎮傳· 7. 激 惧與顯著的不安。 8. 坦率地家說· 9. 强大的軍隊封鎖在西部。 10. 迫切地需要, 11. 幫專· 12. 為德軍在俄國失敗作用說者·
- 3. 1. 人魚雷·2. 志國投效者. 3. 層水影響. 4. 層水裝束. 5. 跨坐。6. 羅州·7. 海擊武庫. 8. 雜電池駕駛. 9. 火藥裝量. 10. 爆炸的一端. 11. 製. 12. 慢慢地走向目標. 11. 解脱. 14. 定時導火管(接顧算定的時間爆發). 15. 安排,佈置. 16. 院華.
- 1. 哈示,提到。2. 英國决心個地數日作戰. 8. 發表,吐 第. 4. 少容. 5. 爵士. 6. 英國退伍軍人會會長. 7. 年 會. 8. 錄菜. 9. 與日本作戰. 10. 錄召. 11. 復國。 12, 繼 數了德國. 18. 海軍上转。14. 勵爵. 15. 軍大工人。16. 國源 了。17. 觀數輔要之數別已載至一千多中只有一個, 18. 工作並未開 強、10. 海主基础。20. 繼續數。

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