

PROBLEM IN INDIA GROWING SERIOUS

Hindus and Mohammedans Protest to Viscount Hardinge.

ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION.

British and Indian Governments Concerned Over Recent Occurrences in South Africa—Treatment Accorded Natives Arouses East Indians Living in British Isles.

London.—The British and Indian governments are very seriously concerned over recent occurrences in South Africa arising out of what the East Indians consider discriminatory legislation against them. An effort is being made to minimize the seriousness of the situation, which was accompanied by a general strike of thousands of East Indians in Natal and riots, in which several were killed.

Viscount Hardinge, viceroy of India, has tried to pour oil on the troubled waters by expressing his sympathy with the East Indians in South Africa and asking for a thorough investigation



VISCOUNT HARDINGE, VICEROY OF INDIA.

tion by the imperial authorities, and the Marquis of Crewe, secretary of state for India, in reply to a deputation of East Indians, has likewise expressed himself in favor of investigation.

All this, however, has not had much effect on the natives or, at any rate, on East Indians living in the British Isles. They are thoroughly aroused and are demanding equal treatment for their fellow subjects in all the British dominions, practically all of which have adopted or contemplate adopting laws to keep the Indians out of their respective countries.

The difficulties of the imperial government are twofold. It is pointed out that it cannot dictate to the dominions as to what immigrants they shall admit without arousing, particularly in South Africa, a storm that might lead to a demand for separation from the empire, and in India it is realized by the authorities that it would not take a great deal to fan the flame into a rebellion, the suppression of which would tax the resources of the empire.

A rebellion in India would be a very serious matter under any circumstances, but there is the added difficulty now that Hindus and Mohammedans are united in demanding what they consider justice to the Indian subjects of his majesty. It is not often that the two sects join together, but in this case they have been acting as one, and have been holding joint meetings of protest and making joint representations to the India office. The meetings have been scarcely noticed in the papers, although the speeches delivered at some of them have been of such an inflammatory character that on other occasions the speakers would have been charged with sedition.

Another matter irritating the Indians is that they have found out that some of the men who professed to be heart and soul in their campaign for redress were in the pay of the imperial government. One very prominent Indian, whose speeches at some of the meetings verged very closely upon sedition has been found to have been in the pay of the Indian government for years. He is now receiving police protection for fear of assassination.

NO LIMIT TO POSTAL SAVINGS.

House Passes a Bill to Revise the System.

Washington.—The house has passed a bill increasing the limit for individual depositors in the postal savings system by removing all limitations as to the amount a depositor may keep to his credit. Heretofore there has been a limit of \$500 for a depositor.

Under the terms of the bill interest will be paid on amounts up to \$1,000 only, but no limit is placed on the amount of noninterest bearing funds which a depositor may place in Uncle Sam's care.

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John Skelton Williams, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, who it is believed will be appointed Comptroller of the Currency.

MOYER LEAVES CALUMET

Attorney for Managers Says Department of Labor Investigators Lied.

Calumet, Mich.—In order to attend the council of the Federation of Labor at Washington and to be present at the reconvening of congress, President Charles H. Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners left the copper country going by way of Chicago.

Denying the department of labor's charge that strikebreakers were imported by the operators under misrepresentations, Albert E. Petermann, counsel for the Calumet and Hecla Mining company reiterated the operators' assertion that they will continue to refuse to arbitrate the strikers' demands with the Western Federation of Miners.

Freshmen To Be Guarded.

Moscow.—Hereafter every freshman entering the University of Idaho will be taken in charge by some member of the faculty and will be looked after until he has passed his examinations and been advanced to sophomore standing. He will be closely guarded by his faculty advisor and if necessary will be called into private conferences from time to time as a means of adjusting himself to his new surroundings without the numerous trials and difficulties that are usually faced by a first-year man who has to "get on to the ropes" be himself.

Suffrage Plans Are Nation-Wide.

Washington.—Plans for a vigorous nation-wide campaign to produce a constitutional amendment giving suffrage to women were outlined by the congressional union for woman suffrage. The program includes a schedule of "demonstrations" that will, according to the suffrage leaders, "awaken the country as never before to a realization of the issue."

CHINESE PARLIAMENT ORDERED DISSOLVED

Pekin.—The Chinese parliament, which practically has been non-existent for months, was definitely dissolved by proclamation, the administrative council having approved the proposal, purporting to emanate from General Li Yuen Heng, Vice-President of the republic, and the military and civil parliament governors of all the provinces last December, suggesting the termination of the parliament.

The proclamation says that the parliament will be re-convened in due course of time. It is now intended that the administrative council shall draft a constitution.

In the meantime the moderate members of the parliament threaten a peaceful agitation throughout the provinces against the action of President Yuan Shi Kai, while evidences are not abating that the extremists will persist in their efforts to organize a new rebellion.

Kermit's Bride Rich.

New York.—When Kermit Roosevelt marries Miss Belle Willard next spring, he not only will become the husband of one of the most beautiful girls in Virginia, but will receive a fortune in the bargain. Miss Willard is the daughter of Joseph E. Willard, millionaire, ex-lieutenant-governor of Virginia and now minister to Spain.

THE MARKETS.

Portland.
Wheat—Club, 85c; bluestem, 95c; red Russian, 84c.

Hay—Timothy, \$17; alfalfa, \$14.
Butter—Creamery, 35c.
Eggs—Candled, 37c.

Seattle.
Wheat—Bluestem, 94c; club, 85c; red Russian, 83c.

Hay—Timothy, \$17 per ton; alfalfa, \$14 per ton.
Eggs—38c.
Butter—Creamery, 26c.

DEFEATED FEDERALS CROSS BORDER LINE

Six Mexican Generals and 2,800 Soldiers Surrender to American Troops.

Presidio, Tex.—Twenty-eight hundred Mexican federal soldiers, six generals, 200,000 rounds of ammunition, two cannons, four large field pieces and 1500 civilian refugees are in the custody of the United States army border patrol as the result of the federal army's evacuation of Ojinga, Mexico, its flight to American territory and the occupation of the village by General Francisco Villa's rebels.

The distress of the refugees is appalling. Men, women, children, dogs and chickens and cattle are packed together in a space covering several acres. About them are scattered all the wreck and turmoil they brought in fleeing from the Ojinga battle.

From a military viewpoint the situation was regarded as being without precedent, since in time of peace the United States army has never had to surround, disarm, hold in custody and care for so large a body of aliens. Fewer than 500 cavalrymen handled the panic stricken mob of almost ten times their number.

"It was hopeless," said General Mercado. "Our men had left only 70 rounds of ammunition apiece and we could not have resisted a charge by the rebels. It would have been a massacre. I ordered the evacuation and flight to safety across the river on grounds of humanity."

WEST WON'T INTERFERE

Says Trouble Merely Squabble Between Mayor and Council.

The Dalles, Or.—Governor West's declaration that he will not come to The Dalles because the trouble here, he says, is merely a squabble between Mayor Anderson and the council, has caused excitement over the matter to die out, and now citizens are merely interested and much relieved.

Following the action of the councilmen in refusing to confirm any of the mayor's nine appointees for the office of chief of police, Anderson said he would bring in "outside help," meaning the state militia, and would issue a proclamation in an attempt to close all local saloons. He also threatened to arrest Ralph Gibbons if he appeared on the street as a police officer, the council having elected Gibbons over the mayor's head.

The mayor hasn't attempted to carry out his threats.

THAW IS DECLARED SANE BY COMMISSION

Concord, N. H.—The release of Harry Kendall Thaw under bail would not be a public menace, according to the report of the commission appointed by Federal Judge Aldrich to inquire into the state of Thaw's mentality. The commissioners found that Thaw was not afflicted with any of the mental diseases from which he was held to be suffering at the time he killed Stanford White.

While the commissioners say they have reached "a definite and positive opinion as to the present mental condition of Thaw and his probable state of mind at the time of the homicide," they refrain from expressing this opinion, in view of their instructions from the court not to embarrass any subsequent litigation where the broad question of insanity might be involved.

The report will be considered by Judge Aldrich in connection with the petition of Thaw for admission to bail under habeas corpus proceedings.

African Colonies Under Martial Law Pretoria.—Sixty thousand militiamen were called out because of the alarming spread of the railway strike and the Transvaal and Orange River Colony were placed under martial law.

The strike has spread to every railway line in the Union of South Africa and the strikers are in an ugly mood.

Shanghai Editor Killed.

Shanghai.—Z. F. How, manager and director of the Commercial Press, was shot dead in the street. The assassin was arrested. How began his career as a small printer and built up the Commercial Press, which possesses the finest printing works in Asia.

Mitchel Declares War on Gangsters

New York.—Mayor Mitchel declared war on the organized gangs of the city and caused emphatic orders to be given the police that these gangs of drug habitues, murders and thieves must be broken up.

Girls Starve But Won't Be Servants

Los Angeles.—Although they say they are starving and want work, nearly all of the girls and women registered at the municipal employment bureau turn down every offer of domestic service.

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