

IN A DIFFERENT LIGHT
FRENCH EXPLANATION OF THE
SPANISH WAR NEGOTIATIONS.

Says England at the Start Stood for
Intervention—General Denial
From Russia.

PARIS, Jan. 22.—In view of the statement made by Lord Cranbourne, British Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons Monday, on the subject of representations made to Great Britain before and after the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, the representative of the Associated Press made inquiry here in an authoritative quarter and received the following explanation, which throws a somewhat different light on the matter:

"In the first place, the Spanish negotiations at the end of March, 1898, to secure the intervention of the powers in favor of Great Britain took the same attitude as France and the other powers. She neither refused nor consented to join in collective action. All the powers were hesitating until they ascertained the intentions of the others. Russia settled the matter by the Count Mouravieff's blunt rejection of the proposal. Subsequently, after General Woodford's conference with the Spanish Premier and Senor Guillon, the Foreign Minister, with the latter indicated the extent of the surrender Spain was willing to make to the United States' demands, the Austrian Government, believing Spain was sufficiently completely to satisfy the United States, instructed its Ambassadors to propose to the European governments that a note be presented at Washington, urging the United States to accept Spanish terms and avert war. The Spanish Ambassador in London saw A. J. Balfour, who was at that time acting as Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and the latter promised to instruct Lord Pauncefote to act alone or with his colleagues with a view to maintaining peace. No action was definitely agreed upon by the British and Germany were disposed toward a movement which would avert an outbreak of hostilities.

"A few days before the war, however, it was declared that Mr. Balfour had raised the objection to which Lord Cranbourne alluded against any note which would have the appearance of putting pressure on the United States or offering an opinion on the United States' attitude. The Austrian proposition then fell through, and the subsequent joint resolution of Congress was the only further action out of the question. This was the extent of Great Britain's action in favor of the United States."

The statement of a prominent Foreign Office official quoted in the London dispatch of the Associated Press regarding the alleged support by France of the Austrian proposal, is declared to be incorrect. Since France did not back up the proposal, and the French Ambassador in London confined himself to making an inquiry as to what view the British Government took of the matter, the attitude throughout was friendly to the United States as well as to Spain, her interest being to avert war. She took no initiative in any direction, and to put pressure on the United States, nor at any time encouraged Spain to resist. Her influence was always directed, in the hour of peace, toward maintaining peace. The exact value which should be placed on Great Britain's leaning toward the United States can be gauged, it is declared, by the fact that when war was declared, the British position was furious, first against Germany, secondly against Russia, and only thirdly against Great Britain. His resentment against Germany was due to the latter having encouraged Spain to resist, and then having abandoned her at the last moment.

General Denial From Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 22.—The correspondent here of the Associated Press has obtained the following statement from the Russian Foreign Office regarding the announcement in the House of Commons Monday concerning negotiations between the powers before and after the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, and the statement made by the British Foreign Office official to the effect that Russia has always been and now is extremely desirous of maintaining amicable relations with the United States. Russia never had any intention of participating in any collective step in the Spanish-American dispute, and she has no concern here. Nor did Russia receive any proposition having such action in view. Indeed, we received no information regarding Austria's alleged initiative or of any attempt on the part of any of the powers to interfere in the interest of Spain.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN RELATIONS DISCUSSED
IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The debate in the House of Commons today centered on the Persian Gulf question. The criticism of the government's policy in that part of the world, some of them advocating an understanding with Russia by which Russia would bring about a better state of affairs, leaving South Persia to British influence. Henry Norman, Liberal, tried in vain to draw out Lord Cranbourne, the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, suggesting that the Anglo-German secret agreement referred to the Persian Gulf and German Baghdad Railway scheme. The outcome of the questioning was that Lord Cranbourne made a general reply in which he said Great Britain's main policy in Asia, including Persia, is to maintain the status quo. Assurances have been exchanged between the British and Russian Governments with reference to the Persian Gulf, and the integrity. He saw no reasons why they could not simultaneously maintain British trade and good relations with Russia; but the latter would not be bought at the expense of any rights in Persia or in British India. While anxious for the maintenance of the integrity of Persia, the government was far more anxious to maintain the balance of power, and it is quite impossible for the Government to abandon its rightful position in Persia. This is especially true as regards the Persian Gulf and the provinces bordering on India.

Renounced Claim to Austrian Throne.

VIENNA, Jan. 22.—The Archduchess Elizabeth, in anticipation of her marriage January 23 to Prince Otto von Windisch-Grätz, who is not of royal blood, today took the oath renouncing all claims for herself and her descendants to the Austrian throne. The ceremony occurred at noon in the privy council chamber of the palace in the presence of a large number of statesmen and the foreign diplomats. The archduchess took the oath, kneeling before a crucifix. The Emperor's gift to the Archduchess Elizabeth includes jewels valued at \$1,000,000, a yearly allowance of \$250,000, a gold dinner service and several royal residences.

Virchow Growing Weaker.

BERLIN, Jan. 22.—The condition of Professor Rudolph Virchow, the eminent pathologist, who injured his thigh by a fall the early part of this month, caused apprehension among his physicians. The professor is growing weaker as a result of the accident.

Victoria Memorial Services.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The first anniversary of the death of Queen Victoria today was marked by commemorative services throughout the United Kingdom and the colonies and at the British embassies and legations abroad. At Windsor, King Ed-

WARD AND QUEEN ALEXANDRA, MOST OF THE
OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL FAMILY, LORD
SALISBURY, LORD ROSEBERY AND THE GERMAN
AMBASSADOR TO GREAT BRITAIN, PRINCE VON
WOLFF-METTERNICH, ATTENDED A SERVICE AT
NOON IN THE FROGMORE MAUSOLEUM. THE
GERMAN AMBASSADOR AID A WREATH FROM
EMPEROR WILLIAM ON THE TOMB.

Tobacco Trust Reaches Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 22.—Ernest Gutachow, manager of the American Tobacco Company's works at San Francisco, Judge Bernard Phillips and Rufus Patterson are here investigating the tobacco industry for the American Tobacco Company. They have been conferring with the great Laferte Company, from which arose the report that the latter had been purchased, but this is denied by the Americans.

Averted a Duel.

PARIS, Jan. 22.—The intervention of Paul Deschanel, president of the Chamber of Deputies, has averted the projected duel between M. D'Estournelles de Constant and M. de Cassagnac.

WIFE OF NEW SECRETARY OF TREASURY.

MRS. LESLIE M. SHAW.



The wife of the new Secretary of the Treasury, Mrs. Leslie M. Shaw, although unfamiliar with the ways of Washington society, will not be lost by any means in the social whirl of the National capital. She was Miss Alice Crawshaw, when she wedded Leslie M. Shaw, in December, 1877. The future Governor and financier was then a young lawyer of Denison, a year and a half out of school, but already laying the foundation of his success. They were married at Cananah, Ia. Mrs. Shaw's father was a well-known planter of the same name, who owned the territory in 1837. The Shaws have three children, all in school. Mrs. Shaw is a home body, devoted to her home life and family, not at all given to aimless butterfly life, but she has the tact and good sense of a practical Iowa woman, and can adapt herself to any conditions.

Three Men Killed and Several
Wounded in a Depot Fight.

BELLEVILLE, Tex., Jan. 22.—Three men were killed, one fatally wounded and three others slightly wounded in a fight at the railroad station here at 6 o'clock this evening. The dead are: RAYMOND WHITE, Constable at Wallis.

MILAM ODOM, his half-brother,
HENRY DIPPERT, a bystander.

Witnesses among them relate that the bullet going entirely through the body. Others wounded are: Elihu Pennington, scalp wound; Antone DipPERT, Belleville, a bystander, head wound in the side; John Haykivich, a Seely, a bystander, bullet through foot. The case of Walter Pennington, under indictment for the murder of J. C. Odom, a brother of Milam Odom, and a half-brother of Raymond White, was called in the District Court today, and a large number of people came here from Wallis as witnesses. There was no outbreak until the parties met at the station, where a large crowd was assembled awaiting the train. Just how the affair started no one seems to know definitely, but it is generally claimed that the first hostile act was committed by the Odom faction.

President Roosevelt and the South.

The administration of President Roosevelt is very much interested in the evil conditions existing in the Republican party in the South, and steps have been taken to bring about a better state of affairs. The organization in every Southern State is in the hands of the Federal office-holders, and these select the delegates to the National convention. Sometimes the state bosses do not take the trouble to call a primary election or to hold a convention; he simply appoints his associates, and offers the whole batch for sale to the highest bidder. An unscrupulous candidate before the Republican National convention, or his unscrupulous friends, are able to purchase one-third of the members of the convention. Such a purchase has been made more than once, and the Federal offices throughout the South are now filled by men whose votes as delegates were purchased by the promoters of these very offices. It is well known that the Southern States are the bauchery of National politics. The work of cleaning out the crew has begun, however, and soon the Custom-House at New Orleans will be purged. It is as foul a nest as Tammany, and exists for the personal profit of the Collector and his subordinates and associates.

Professor Emil Schaeffer.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 22.—Professor Emil Schaeffer, one of the most widely known chemists in the country, died at noon in this city today. He was 80 years of age. In 1870, Professor Schaeffer first discovered the formulas for making liquid pepsin, and for making the dry or powdered form of pepsin.

Safe-Crackers Caught.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 22.—The Bank of Hartford was robbed of between \$250 and \$300 early today by four men, who blew open the safe. The burglars were captured by a Deputy Sheriff and a posse with bloodhounds, after a short chase. All of the stolen money was recovered.

How to Prevent Pneumonia.

It is a well established fact that pneumonia can be prevented. This disease always arises in a cold or from an attack of influenza. Among the tens of thousands who have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, it is well known that you will not find a single case that has ever resulted in pneumonia, which shows conclusively that this city today is free of that dread disease. The fact is, it counteracts any tendency of a cold or influenza to grip toward pneumonia. It is famous for its quick cures of cold and grip. Try it. All druggists sell it.

SUGAR CONFERENCE FAILS
DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN POWERS
REPRESENTED AT CONFERENCE.

France and England Will Take Steps
Against Austrian and German
Bounty Systems.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The correspondent of the Associated Press, upon excellent authority, tonight learns that the international sugar conference at Brussels is practically certain to end in a disagreement between the powers concerned therein, with the result that France and Great Britain will take active steps against the Austrian and German bounty systems. The "kartels" (organizations of sugar refiners) in the latter countries form the rock upon which the conference is likely to founder.

Sheepers Has Been Executed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—It has just been discovered that, through a cable error, an Associated Press dispatch announced that the death sentence upon Commandant Scherer, who was sentenced to death for the execution of the prisoners of the Boer commando, had been commuted to life imprisonment. The fact is that he was executed last Saturday, January 18.

British Force Surrendered.

PRETORIA, Jan. 22.—A party of 35 natives, escorted by 25 Imperial Yeomanry, were surprised recently by 150 Boers at Lindenberg, near the German border. The Boers, in which six of the Boers and one of the British force were killed, the latter were forced to surrender. Four of the unarmed natives were shot in cold blood.

AROUND THE WORLD IN A CANOE.
Long Voyage of Adventurous Victorians.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 22.—From Sydney, N. S. W., which arrived today, brought news that the Indian war canoe, which was transformed into a yacht by Captain Voss and N. K. Luxton, who sailed from here May 21 last and arrived at Sydney after cruising across the Pacific in their four-year, 40-foot-long craft, was to sail January 12, to continue the voyage via Singapore, the Malay Peninsula, the Philippines, the Indian Ocean, New York, Peter B. Drummond, secretary of the Sydney Canoe Club, joined the adventurous Victorians at Sydney.

German Lieutenant Shot.

TIENTSIN, Jan. 22.—A German Lieutenant named Matus has been dangerously shot in the lungs by robbers while patrolling near Chou Liang Chong, 50 miles east of Tientsin.

Presented Their Credentials.

PEKING, Jan. 22.—The Ministers to China from Great Britain, Germany, France, Russia, Japan and Portugal presented their credentials today.

TO OUTDO MARCONI.

Portland Electricians Dream of Still Greater Achievements.

Marconi, whose wonderful discovery of a system of wireless telegraphy has elevated him to the head of the list of inventors, and the high current required to operate a mill or factory. That electric energy or force of great power can be transmitted through the air without the aid of a wire is shown by the effects of a "flash of lightning" which splinters a tree or shatters solid rock without an effort. The entire universe is expected to be filled with the electric energy of the announcement of the success of this scheme for the wireless transmission of electric energy, which is bound to revolutionize the manufacturing industries of the world in the near future.

Coming Trouble in Afghanistan.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The Daily Chronicle from an influential source learns that rumors are current in India of coming trouble in Afghanistan. It is alleged that Russia will utilize the winter to mass troops for the invasion of the country, and that the British will be ready to invade Afghanistan as soon as the snow melts on the passes. Preparations are being made on the British side. The Punjab regiments are being readied for the unusual season of February, and will be on a war scale. Regiments are being quietly massed, ostensibly to fight the winter in the mountains, but in reality to be in readiness for a sudden advance. It is likewise rumored that hospitals are being built along the military base, and that the arsenals are being stored with munitions.

Tumult at a Confirmation.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The ceremony of the confirmation of the Rt. Rev. Charles Gore as Bishop of Worcester today, at the Church House, Westminster, was attended by a large number of the clergy. Numerous objections to the confirmation, among whom was John Kensit, the notorious anti-ritualist crusader, protested so vehemently that what was intended to be a semi-religious ceremony, had the character of a disorderly political gathering. Bishop Gore's editorship of Lux Mundi and the fact that he is the author of a "monarchical" tract, figured largely among the arguments of the protesters.

Spain May Have a Revolution.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The Daily Mail publishes an alarmist dispatch from Madrid stating that the Spanish revolution has broken out in Spain and their fears that the coronation of King Alfonso next May may be a semi-religious ceremony, had the character of a disorderly political gathering. Bishop Gore's editorship of Lux Mundi and the fact that he is the author of a "monarchical" tract, figured largely among the arguments of the protesters.

Concealed His Assets.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Charles Bright, an American engineer, was arraigned at the Guildhall yesterday on a Treasury warrant with concealing £100,000 of his assets in connection with bankruptcy proceedings. Bright is from Sandusky, O. He is said to have made a fortune at Buenos Ayres, but a long fight in the English courts resulted adversely to him.

Wanted in New York for Fraud.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Edwin Marshall is in custody here on the charge of forging checks in South Africa, and is wanted against General Botha, a night



OLD PEOPLE

Have a charm of their own when they are not weak and feeble, but hale and hearty, enjoying the sports and pleasures of youth though they cannot participate in them. The whole secret of a sturdy old age is this: Keep the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition in perfect order. The young man who does not think of it as he grows old. It is the "weak" stomach, incapable of supplying adequate nutrition for the body, which causes the weakness and feebleness of old age.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. It makes the "weak" stomach strong, and so enables the body to be fully nourished and strengthened by the food which is eaten.

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Washington Notes.

A baking powder factory has been added to the numerous industries of Castle Rock. Mayor T. McKinley, of Watskewich, vetoed the curfew ordinance recently passed by the Council. Spokane is improving the looks of the town by enforcing the sidewalk ordinance and requiring that immediate attention be given to bad walks. Ferry Wheeler, who said the city of Whatcom for \$400 damages, for injuries alleged to have been sustained by reason of a defective sidewalk, lost his case in the Superior Court.

Reward of Merit

A New Catarrh Cure Secures National Popularity in Less Than One Year. Throughout a great nation of eighty million it is a desperate struggle to secure recognition for a new article, say nothing of achieving popular favor, and yet within one year Stuart's Catarrh

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THE SCIENCE OF LIFE. KNOW THYSELF! As set forth in THE GOLD MEDAL PRIZE TREATISE, the best Medical Work ever published for men only, entitled THE SCIENCE OF LIFE, OR SELF-PRESERVATION. The Science of Life, or Self-Preservation. The Science of Life, or Self-Preservation. The Science of Life, or Self-Preservation.



Tables, the new catarrh cure, has met with such success that today it can be found in every drug store throughout the United States and Canada. To be sure, a large amount of advertising was necessary in the first instance to bring the remedy to the attention of the public, but every one familiar with the subject knows that advertising alone never made any article permanently successful. It must have, in addition, absolute, undeniable merit, and this the new catarrh cure certainly possesses in a marked degree.

Physicians, who formerly depended upon blisters, sprays and local washes or ointments, because, as one of the most prominent stated, these tablets contain in pleasant, convenient form all the really efficient catarrh remedies, such as red gum, blood-root and similar antiseptics. They contain no cocaine nor opiate, and are given to little children with entire safety and benefit.

Dr. J. J. Reitzler, of Covington, Ky., says: "I suffered from catarrh in my head and throat every Fall, with stoppage of the nose and irritation in the throat, affecting my voice, and often extending to the stomach, causing catarrh of the stomach. I bought a 50-cent package of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets at my drug store, carried them in my pocket and used them faithfully, and the way in which they cleared my head and throat was certainly remarkable. I had no catarrh last Winter and Spring, and consider myself entirely free from any catarrh trouble."

Mrs. Jerome Ellison, of Wheeling, W. Va., writes: "I suffered from catarrh nearly my whole life, and last Winter my two children also suffered from catarrh colds and sore throat so much they were out of school a large portion of the Winter. My brother, who was cured of catarrh deafness by using Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, urged me to try them so much that I did so, and am truly thankful for what they have done for myself and my children. I always keep a box of the tablets in the house, and at the first appearance of a cold or sore throat we nip it in the bud and catarrh is no longer a household affliction with us."

Full-sized packages of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are sold for 50 cents at all druggists. Send for book on cause and cure of catarrh, mailed free. Address, F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.