

WITH FURY OF GALE

England Suffers Damage on Land and Sea.

TRAINS BLOWN FROM TRACK

Storm of Unprecedented Force Wrecks Ships, Unroofs Buildings, Ruins Churches and Makes Strait Bridge Unsafe.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—A gale of almost unprecedented violence swept Great Britain all night, and did considerable damage. Telegraphic communication northward of Leeds was entirely interrupted, the Continental service was interfered with, and large numbers of ships were forced to seek shelter in the harbors. Many minor wrecks occurred and the lifeboats were busy all along the coasts.

There were several fatalities on land, caused by falling chimneys and flying debris, and many houses were unroofed. The wind in the north of England blew with hurricane force. The Lancashire mills and churches suffered greatly. The grandstand of the Lancashire Football Club was lifted bodily and deposited outside the grounds. Scores of shop windows at Liverpool were blown in, and goods scattered about the streets.

A newly erected church at Holyhead was lifted from its foundations and fell in a heap of ruins. A number of the supports of the suspension bridge over the Menai Straits, separating the island of Anglesea from the Welsh coast, were carried away, and traffic over the bridge has been stopped.

At Ulverston, Lancashire, a passenger train was blown over, a number of passengers were injured and 10 cars were wrecked.

The gale swept over Ireland from north to south. In Cork a three-story building collapsed, burying 15 persons in the ruins. One of them was killed and one fatally injured. Various Coast points report vessels ashore. The rivers in the interior are flooding.

HOLDING BACK FIGHTERS.

Powers Try to Prevent Hostilities While Macedonia Is Reformed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Rumors of hostilities in Macedonia have not been confirmed with adequate authority, says the Tribune's London correspondent. The efforts of the powers to restrain both Serbia and Bulgaria are not being steadily applied to Bulgaria, and the government at Sofia has been warned that nothing must be done to encourage a Macedonian uprising. It is reported that Austrian officers are already employed in secret service on the Serbian and Bulgarian frontiers, and are watching the situation closely.

Many correspondents have been passing through Vienna and Belgrade to Nisch and Sofia, while the chief centers of news. The district between Nisch and Salonica is in a state of suppressed excitement, but the correspondents are allowed to ride through it to watch the first preparation for carrying out the proposed reforms. Optimism prevails in official circles in Vienna and St. Petersburg, but the start given by the Balkan States are kept under rigorous restraint implies apprehension of a coming storm.

There are no signs that the reforms have excited enthusiasm either in Macedonia or Bulgaria. Public opinion in Bulgaria unanimously condemns the proposed reforms for Macedonia as entirely inadequate. The Bulgarians themselves will not accept the reforms, which even if much more extensive would require European control to insure their being carried out. The extreme newspapers denounce the project as international cynicism, and maintain that a Macedonian uprising is now all the more certain. They declare that the Macedonians should break with Austria and Russia and seek the support of other powers.

APPLYING PLAN OF REFORM.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 27.—The Sultan has ordered the application of the Austro-Russian plan of reforms in Macedonia to all the six Roumelian vilayets. The State Council is preparing an organic statute for the application of the reforms.

CEAR WILL RELIEVE FINNS.

Orders Public Works for Employment of the Starving.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 27.—The Czar has personally intervened in behalf of the famine-stricken Finns, and has ordered that extensive relief work be started without delay. Besides the immediate construction of the proposed Idemski-Ka-Kana Railroad, which will cost \$200,000, he has sanctioned the expenditure of \$300,000 on the Uusaborg-Tornea line, voted by the Senate but hitherto unapproved; the raising of a \$1,000,000 loan for the reconstruction, the establishment of a bank with a capital of \$600,000, which sum is to be used in making loans to peasant farmers, and he has approved an appropriation of \$100,000 for public works, principally the drainage of swamps.

The Finns attribute the Czar's action to the steps taken in America to relieve the distress existing, and to Ambassador McCormick's inquiries on the subject. It is believed that the proposed relief work will employ the majority of the able bodied, and that consequently the temporary committee's responsibilities will be lightened and the necessities of the people will be satisfied without outside aid, which the Finns gratefully accepted, although they have never solicited it.

BUYS FOUR WARSHIPS.

Britain Gathers in Those Building for South American Wars.

ROME, Feb. 27.—The Argentine Minister states that Great Britain has purchased the cruisers Rivadavia and Moreno, which are now under construction at Genoa for Argentina. It is reported that Great Britain has also purchased the warships Chiriqui and Libertad, which are now building for Chile.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—No confirmation has been obtained here of the news telegraphed from Rome that Great Britain has purchased several Argentine and Chilean warships. Questions will be asked in Parliament next Monday as to the correctness of the report.

POPE HAS SEVERE COLD.

Ignores Advice of Doctor and Receives Diplomats.

ROME, Feb. 27.—Notwithstanding a severe cold, which affected his voice, the pope today received the diplomats, who congratulated him upon his jubilee. Dr. Lepponi was opposed to the pope's participation in the ceremony, in view of the probable fatigue of the celebration of the 25th anniversary of his coronation, March 3, but all efforts to husband the pontiff's strength are rendered difficult by his determination to do everything possible and to see every one.

Rumors to the effect that the pope was ill were in circulation this morning, but there was no foundation for them. The diplomats who were received in audience today noticed the pope's hoarseness, and also that he occasionally coughed slightly, but on the whole he appeared to be enjoying

his usual health. Today, while the reception did not aggravate the condition of his hoarseness, it certainly did no good.

CHINESE REBELS VICTORIOUS.

Ambush and Slay Imperial Troops—Capture Arms.

PEKIN, Feb. 27.—Advice received here today show that 500 imperial troops were caught February 13 in an ambush in the Yang Tsing pass by the rebels of the Province of Kwang Si, South China. All the soldiers were killed and the rebels captured large supplies of arms, which the troops were taking to the besieged garrison of Chi Yuen.

The official reports admit that the rebellion in Kwangsi is increasing, and has spread over the border into the Province of Hunan. The Viceroy of Hunan has sent troops to the boundary to check the rebels' advance.

EXPULSED FOR FLOGGING.

German University Will Not Allow Students to Imitate British.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—The senate of the Technical University of Hanover has expelled the two presidents of the students' fraternity known as Vandalla, and has dissolved the corps for one year, because, imitating the officers of the British Grenadier Guards in disciplining subalterns, the students assisted in flogging two members of the Vandalla for breaking the corps rules.

China Must Pay in Gold.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—In a printed reply presented in the House of Commons today to a question on the subject, Premier Balfour said he was not aware that the United States had agreed to accept payment in gold of the Chinese indemnity in silver. He added that the debts to the European countries were in process of payment, and in conclusion repeated the statement that the British government had not received any suggestion looking to Great Britain's participation in a conference to establish a fixed relationship between the money of the gold standard countries and the silver-using countries, as proposed to the United States by Mexico and China.

Will Combine Electric Plants.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The British railway companies have embarked upon a policy of complete unification of electric equipment of their lines. A conference at which all railway companies of Great Britain are represented is now being held at the clearing-house with this object, and many points have already been satisfactorily settled, according to the Tribune's representative. The movement is regarded as of the highest importance in view of the many schemes for electric tubes already sanctioned, and the extent to which most of the big trunk systems are pledged in the way of electrical equipment.

Rosebery on Financial Policy.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Lord Rosebery, speaking at Glasgow last night, criticized the financial policy of the government, says a cable to the Tribune from London. Lord Rosebery said the Ministers seemed to have hallucinations that the word meant expenditure, and that it meant little else. But bloated armament and bloated expenditure did not mean empire, and empire did not mean swaggers. The first requisite of an empire was a nation worthy of empire, and years of Tory rule were barren of effort to insure such a nation.

Kipling's Ode to Chamberlain.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The Times this morning publishes a poem by Rudyard Kipling, in celebration of Mr. Chamberlain's mission to South Africa. It begins: Where my fresh-trodden furrows run and the deep soil gleams red.

I will repair the wrong that was done to the living and the dead.

Explosion in Imperial Palace.

VIENNA, Feb. 27.—An explosion in the cellar of the Imperial Palace today caused momentary excitement, but it was soon ascertained that it was due to accidental lighting of some sporting ammunition. A couple of workmen were injured.

Design of New German Warships.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—The German Navy's new design for battleships is generally similar to that of the Alabama of the United States Navy. It abandoned the turrets for small guns. The vessels will be of about 14,500 tons.

Denies Consul Was Murdered.

VIENNA, Feb. 27.—A dispatch received here from Sofia denies the rumor circulated by the Zeit here yesterday that the Russian Consul at Mikovitsa, Albania, had been murdered.

New Cabinet in Portugal.

LISBON, Feb. 27.—The Cabinet has resigned. The King has accepted its resignation and charged Senhor Ribeiro, ex-Premier, to form a Cabinet.

TROOPS AT DEDICATION.

Ceremonies at St. Louis Fair to Be Attended With Military Turnout.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 27.—Officers of the Department of the Missouri are beginning to arrange for the movement of troops to St. Louis to attend the ceremonies of the dedication of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, April 30. It is expected that troops from Fort Cook, Riley, Leavenworth and Jefferson Barracks will be present. General Corbin, Adjutant General of the Army, will act as grand marshal of the civic and military parade, and it is expected that he will personally designate the troops, and the extent of the demonstration will depend to a large extent upon the funds voted by the exposition management for that purpose.

Looking After French Exhibits.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 27.—M. Jules Bouffé, chancellor of the French embassy at Washington, has been temporarily transferred to St. Louis as representative of his government at the exposition during the construction period of the grand trianon, the national pavilion and the installation of the French exhibits. M. Bouffé has been directed to secure headquarters in the world's fair city with a view to conducting all relations between his government and the exposition company. His duties here begin May 1.

To Display German Lace Curtains.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—Dr. Lewald, the commissioner of Germany at the St. Louis Exposition, held a conference yesterday with the lace curtain manufacturers of Plauen, Saxony, who decided to make a splendid exhibit at St. Louis. The lace industry is now enjoying an unusual run of American orders, and the manufacturers therefore are more ready to incur expenses than those engaged in the small trades. The commissioners say that German industrial art is taking a lively interest in the exposition and will make an excellent showing.

Wyoming Commission Named.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 27.—Governor DeForest Richards today announced his appointment of seven Wyoming commissioners for the St. Louis Exposition. They include Willis G. Emerson, Grand Encampment, the well-known copper king and author; Robert Homer, Laramie, a wealthy stockman; and William C. Deming, Cheyenne, editor of the Wyoming Tribune. Wyoming's appropriation for the exposition is \$25,000.

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Sewing Machine Oil, pure sperm, special per bottle. 3c
Oil Cans, double seamed, zinc, special, each 4c
Stocking Darners, black enamel, special, each 3c
Bone Hair Pins, black, amber and shell, special per dozen. 5c

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MYSTERY IN A MANSION

WEALTHY BUFFALO MAN FOUND MURDERED AT HOME.

Evidence That Some Acquaintance Slew Him Late at Night—He Had Domestic Quarrel.

BUFFALO, Feb. 27.—Edwin R. Burdick, president of E. L. Burdick & Co., and of the Buffalo Envelope Company, was murdered early today at his home on Ashland avenue, one of the finest residence sections of the city. The theory of first advanced, that the crime was the work of a burglar, was abandoned as the police probed deeper into the case, and tonight, while they were looking for several important clues, no arrests have been made.

Mr. Burdick was last seen alive late night at 10:30, when he bade the other members of the household good night and started for his room, apparently with intention of retiring for the night. This morning his body, clad in an undershirt, was found lying on a couch in a small room off the lower hall used by Mr. Burdick as a smoking-room. The body was covered with a rug and a number of sofa pillows. The couch was saturated with blood and the floor of the little room was spattered with brains and blood. The head had been crushed with some blunt instrument.

Chief of Detectives Cusack took charge of the case. A thorough examination of the house and its occupants was made. Nothing of value was missing. The outside door was locked and the spring lock was in its place when the servants got up in the morning. The inner door was ajar. A kitchen window was partly raised, but there were no marks on the snow outside or upon the window sill to indicate that any one had entered. All the other windows and doors of the house were securely fastened. That shattered the theory of an unknown intruder.

Some interesting discoveries were made in other parts of the house. To begin with, no weapon could be found anywhere. The body was clad in an undershirt. At the foot of the couch were found drawers and stockings. The trousers and other articles of clothing, which Mr. Burdick had worn, were in his bedroom on the floor above. The bed had not been occupied. On the table in the smoking room the detectives found a bottle partly filled with whisky and the remains of a light lunch. Members of the family declared that Mr. Burdick never partook of the food of which the lunch was composed, and never drank liquor while eating. In this connection Chief Cusack gave out the following statement:

"From what investigations I have made, I would think that Mr. Burdick was called down stairs by a ring or a knock at the door, after he was ready for bed, for he was clad only in his undershirt. He evidently admitted some one he knew well, and took the visitor into the den for a talk and to partake of the luncheon found there."

"There are some signs of a struggle. The fact that two of the fingers of Mr. Burdick's left hand were broken indicates that he put up his hand to ward off a blow which he saw coming. The body was covered with a rug and several pillows, so that nothing could be seen but the blood which flowed from under the body. The force with which the blow was struck killed Mr. Burdick were delivered, seems to preclude the possibility that a woman delivered them."

Mrs. Burdick, the murdered man's wife, left home two months ago with the intention, it is understood, of not returning. December 5 proceedings for a divorce were filed in the County Clerk's office by Mr. Burdick. It is understood that Mrs. Burdick went to Atlantic City. What connection Burdick's domestic trouble may have had with the crime, the police do not presume to say.

The police tonight found a hackman who carried a man to the first corner east of the Burdick house last night about 12 o'clock. After leaving the carriage the man, whom the police have a good description, walked up the street toward Burdick's house.

HOME RULE VALID.

Colorado Supreme Court Sustains Constitutional Amendment.

DENVER, Feb. 27.—The Supreme Court today sustained the Rush home-rule constitutional amendment adopted at the November election, and granted a writ of mandamus requiring City Treasurer Sours, of Denver, to surrender his office to County Treasurer Elder. Justices Gabbert and Steele concurred in the opinion. Chief Justice Campbell dissented.

The bill creates the City and County of Denver out of the territory of the City of Denver and half a dozen surrounding towns; gives absolute home rule in municipal affairs to Denver, and to such cities of the first and second class as desire the power; gives complete power for acquiring and operating public utilities; provides that no franchise shall be granted except upon vote of the people; provides that the departments of fire and police, public works and public utilities shall be under civil service; consolidates city and county offices, and gives the people the right to make their own charter, and to amend the same whenever they see fit.

One effect of the decision will be to postpone the Denver city election, which would have been held under the old law in April next, until after the adoption of a new charter.

FRANCE SIGNS PROTOCOL

Another Step Taken in Settling Claims Against Venezuela.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—M. Jusserand, the French Ambassador, and Herbert W. Bowen, the Venezuelan Plenipotentiary, signed a protocol this afternoon for the settlement of the French claims against Venezuela by a joint commission to meet at Caracas, and for the reference to the Hague tribunal of the contention of the allied powers for preferential treatment in the satisfaction of their demands. The French protocol, which is the sixth convention Mr. Bowen has signed, is identical, save as to parties, with that of the United States recently signed by Secretary Hay and Mr. Bowen. To a representative of the Associated Press, Mr. Bowen said:

"The signing of the French protocol affords me an opportunity to state, on behalf of Venezuela, my appreciation of that country for the patient attitude which France has maintained throughout the negotiations here, and to bear witness to the consideration shown by M. Jusserand in the drafting of his protocol."

Rebels Retreat From Caracas.

CARACAS, Feb. 27.—The body of revolutionary leaders, numbering about 200, under command of General Boland, which reached the neighborhood of Caracas on February 15, with the intention of attacking the capital, abandoned the position they had taken up last night and retreated in the direction of Guaranee.

HE DREADS YELLOW FEVER

Nast's Successor Resigns on Landing at Guayaquil.

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Feb. 27.—United States Consul-General Sawyer and Mrs. Sawyer, who arrived here February 25, have started on their return to the United States on the same steamer which brought them south. Mr. Sawyer, it is alleged, became afraid of yellow fever when he saw the room at the consulate where Thomas Nast, the former Consul-General, died December 7 of fever. Strong winds have caused an overflow of the Alausi

River. Some damage has been done to the river levee, but traffic will be resumed in a few days.

PROTEST AGAINST SMOOT

Resolution Opposing Admission Offered in Pennsylvania House.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 27.—A resolution protesting against the seating of United States Senator-elect Reed Smoot, of Utah, was offered in the House today by Representative Flynn, but when Mr. McWhiney moved that it be referred to the Federal relations committee the resolution was withdrawn by Mr. Flynn, who said it would be again offered on Monday night, when there was a full attendance. The resolution is as follows:

"Whereas, It has been published in the public press that Reed Smoot, the Senator-elect from Utah, is a disciple of the Mormon Church, and is guilty of the practice of polygamy, or plural marriage, and

"Whereas, Such practice being contrary to law and a disgrace to our civilization, and

"Whereas, Mr. Roberts, who was elected from the same state, was denied a seat in the Congress of the United States for this same reason; be it

Resolved, That we, the representatives of the people of Pennsylvania, do earnestly protest against the seating of the Senator-elect from Utah; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the United States Senators from Pennsylvania, and that they be urged to use every honorable effort to prevent the seating of the said Reed Smoot in the United States Senate."

Golden Invitation to Pasadena.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Representative McLachlan, of California, handed to the President today a formal invitation to visit Pasadena on the occasion of his coming Western trip. The invitation is a key of solid gold, and around its stem is a splendidly engraved crown, emblematic of the Indian name of Pasadena, "the crown of the valley." The invitation is extended by the Mayor and business men of the town. The President considers the invitation the most beautiful and expensive he has yet received. He directed Secretary Lobb to arrange a stop at Pasadena in May next.

Hearing on Advance in Rates.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The hearing in the matter of the recent advances on the freight rates on grain, packing-house products, iron and other commodities on the trunk lines was concluded today. In general the witnesses contended that the increases were based on commercial and traffic conditions, present and prospective, but admit that the earnings of their systems were ample.

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