

ENDS THE DIET

Emperor of Japan Wants a Free Hand.

RUSSIA MUST ACT NOW

Solons Might Become Excited and Aggravate Matters.

PUBLIC CLAMORING FOR WAR

Mikado Fails to See Why the Czar Should Be Dictator in Korea and Manchuria—Proposes to Act Accordingly.

TOKIO, Dec. 11.—The Japanese Diet adjourned sine die today. The announcement that the Diet had been dissolved created considerable discussion throughout the country, and it cannot be said the people are pleased at this latest development. However, the matter is, to a certain extent, explained by a statement made by a high official of the government tonight, when he said:

"The Diet had to be dissolved. Matters are too serious at present to have a legislative body in session. The feeling throughout Japan is decidedly warlike, and it would take little to precipitate a conflict. This being the case, is it any wonder that the government decided to dissolve the Diet so as to permit it a free hand in the coming negotiations with Russia?"

"The latter nation must come to time. Why should it continue to dictate in Manchuria or Korea? Japan is the nation that is sure to become a world power soon, and the Mikado and his advisers feel sure of this fact. Why, then, should they not desire a free hand in dealing with Russian aggression?"

"Matters cannot be left much longer in their present condition, and with the Diet dissolved, the Mikado and his Ministers are in a position to decide all questions of national importance as it suits him and then call on the legislative body to carry out his policy."

CHINA'S FAITH IS SHAKEN.

Japan Delayed So Long That She May Go In With Russia.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The Pekin correspondent of the Times says it is reported that the possibility of an arrangement between Russia and Japan, which will leave the question of Manchuria in abeyance, coupled with the long delay in the completion of the Russo-Japanese negotiations, tends to shake China's confidence in Japan to induce China to take a more favorable view of the Russian demands regarding Manchuria.

The correspondent adds that while Lian Fang, first secretary of the Board of Foreign Affairs, has resumed close relations with the Russian Legation, the weight of the French Minister's influence is being used in advising China to come to a speedy agreement with Russia and to legalize the latter's position in Manchuria.

China Merely Awaiting Events.

PEKIN, Dec. 11.—Prince Ching informed the Ministers in an audience today that he was not negotiating with Russia, and that the government was merely awaiting events. It is known, however, that Lian Fang, first secretary of the Board of Foreign Affairs, and who represented the Foreign Office for former negotiations, is paying frequent visits to Russian Minister Lesnar.

Russia Makes Concessions.

TOKIO, Dec. 11.—It is now reported in official circles that the reply of the Russian government to the Japanese demands is on its way here, and it is forecasted that the final proposals to Japan are considerable modifications of the claims made in the last note. It is also said that Russia has also made concessions regarding the difficulties in Manchuria.

DANGER IN SOCIALISM.

German Legislator Says It Must Be Put Down.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—In the Reichstag today War Minister von Elnem entered earnestly into discussion of the charges of sociality and immorality brought against German army officers, without attempting to exculpate them. He admitted there have been abuses, and declared the army administration is determined to correct them so far as possible. Nobody regrets the evils more than Emperor William, who never loses an opportunity to impress the seriousness of the offenses brought to light, he said.

Referring to Lieutenant Bilsen's book "A Little Garrison," telling of alleged actions discreditable to officers, for writing which he was sentenced to a month's imprisonment, the Minister said it contained a certain amount of truth, but it was not true that every lieutenant in the German army was a bad man. He said the Minister said it contained a certain amount of truth, but it was not true that every lieutenant in the German army was a bad man. He said the Minister said it contained a certain amount of truth, but it was not true that every lieutenant in the German army was a bad man.

Regarding the brutalities, the Minister declared such incidents were not wholly inexcusable. There was the bad private soldier as well as the bad Sergeant, and the bad private was largely responsible for the whole difficulty, "succumbing to the most devilish ingenuity to ensnare the noncommissioned officers so that the latter finally vented their anger upon the weaklings." This type of private has always existed, he said, and is more common under Social Democratic influence. The Social Democrats assert that militarism enslaves, brutalizes and stupefies the people and suppresses freedom of thought. If this were true, he declared, Germany would be in a bad condition, since Germany is a universal military service country. But this is not true, as Germany has succeeded by a combination of industry, intelligence and energy unparalleled in conquering a large share of the markets of the world.

During the year ending in June, the War Minister continued, 577 noncommissioned officers and 577 noncommissioned officers were punished for mistreatment of private soldiers. Reckoning percentages, one officer in 400 and one noncommissioned officer in 120 had been found guilty of the misuse of authority. The convictions were really fewer during the recent agitation than in some other years. However, the army administration had deter-

mined to stop mistreatment altogether. Even 100 cases a year would be intolerable.

Herr Richter, discussing the manner in which private soldiers were handled, says that he had seen the highest degree of discipline in the hands of a noncommissioned officer could commit 120 instances of mistreatment, and that, too, in the Garde du Corps. If such a thing were possible, the speaker, must this system of mistreatment be carried on in troops of the line in the future? At any rate, something must be done to prevent the growth of the Social Democratic, and the most effective means to this end would be to withdraw the suffrage for five years from Socialists who profess to be revolutionists or Republicans.

"My opinion," said he, "is that we are on an express train which is rolling with wind velocity into the socialized state of the future. At any rate, something must be done to prevent the growth of the Social Democratic, and the most effective means to this end would be to withdraw the suffrage for five years from Socialists who profess to be revolutionists or Republicans."

This statement was greeted with Royal laughter. Continuing, the Baron said: "The government must do everything in its power, for if nothing is done, a revolution is coming with certainty." He urged Catholics and Protestants to conclude a truce, in order that they might jointly combat this new danger. "It will then," said he, "be easy to lead a struggle against Socialism to a victorious end."

CONSUL ACTED IN SELF-DEFENSE

Turkish Police Made a Violent Attack on American at Alexandria.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 11.—The United States Legation states that advice regarding the reports of the violence of the police in the attack on Consul Davis, who had only used his cane in self-defense. It appears that Attarian, the Italian American, who asked for the assistance of the Consul to enable him to embark for Egypt, was arrested by a subterfuge. After he had embarked on the Consular boat with Mr. Davis, Attarian was invited to land to undergo fumigation, whereupon the man was suddenly seized by three policemen and promptly locked up. Mr. Davis, in attempting to interfere, was assaulted by the police and was obliged to defend himself with his cane. Attarian is still a prisoner.

The report that the United States cruiser San Francisco had left for Alexandria was premature.

Awaits Report of Leshman.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Cheikh Bey, the Turkish Minister here, today filed with the State Department an explanation of the attack on the American Consul at Alexandria. He stated that the Consul had been invited to land to undergo fumigation, whereupon the man was suddenly seized by three policemen and promptly locked up. Mr. Davis, in attempting to interfere, was assaulted by the police and was obliged to defend himself with his cane. Attarian is still a prisoner.

BIDS CHAMBERLAIN TURN BACK

Harcourt Recalls ex-Secretary's Language Denouncing Protection.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Sir William Vernon Harcourt, speaking to his constituents at Tredgar tonight, drew a parallel between a speech delivered in Birmingham in 1885 by Joseph Chamberlain and the present policy of the ex-Colonial Secretary. In 1885, said Sir William, Mr. Chamberlain spoke as follows: "It is impossible that the working classes of this country will ever again submit to the suffering and misery inflicted by the corn laws. If this is the policy of the Tories, we have only to recall the history of the times when protection starved the people and the country was brought to the brink of revolution."

The speaker pilloried Mr. Chamberlain's statements concerning his policy, and predicted the result of the adoption of his policy would be ruinous to the poorer classes and would end in tying the hands of financial ministers in the future.

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Teeth extracted and filled absolutely without pain by our late scientific methods. No sleep-producing agents or cocaine. These are the only dental parlors in Portland that have the patent appliances and ingredients for extracting, filling and applying gold crowns and porcelain crowns, undetectable from natural teeth and warranted for ten years, without the least particle of pain. Gold crowns and teeth without plates, gold fillings and all other dental work done painlessly and by specialists.

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and heard his account of the general situation of steamship competition and the exact arrangements made with other lines for Southern Europe traffic. The Emperor invited the full confidence of Herr Ballin and Dr. Wiegand, director-general of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, concerning the trans-Atlantic combination.

Subscriptions for Chinese Railway.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 11.—The Russo-Chinese Bank will open subscriptions on December 27 in Paris and at St. Petersburg for the construction of a railroad between Cheung Tung Fu, Province of Chi Li, and Tai Yuan Fu, Province of Shan Si, to cost \$20,000,000.

Italy Honors the Memory of Spencer.

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HANGS ON FOR LIFE

Nat Goodwin Has Close Call on Brooklyn Bridge.

THROWN OUT OF AUTOMOBILE

He Seizes a Cable and Clings to It Until Policemen Arrive—Chafeur Lost His Head as Well as Control of Machine.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Nat Goodwin, the actor, nearly lost his life tonight in a manner more sensational than even the most imaginative press agent could devise. Mr. Goodwin is playing in Brooklyn this week. He left his home in West End avenue, in this city, at 6 o'clock, and started in an electric automobile for the theater across the bridge.

The chauffeur was M. M. Chatterton, an instant, lost control of the vehicle. He apparently lost his head, for the car started forward with increased momentum, and finally struck the outer cable which supports the bridge. Mr. Goodwin was hurled from the front of the automobile, heading straight for the river, 100 feet below. By good luck, he struck one of the perpendicular supporting cables with his shoulder. Instinctively, he threw both arms about it.

Patrolmen James Kent and Thomas Brady, of the bridge squad, rushed up and seized the slipping actor. Slowly but surely they dragged him back to the roadway, assisted by the chauffeur, who had himself been thrown, but without injury. Mr. Goodwin had a bad cut in the back and a two-inch gash in the cheek. He was taken to a hospital in Brooklyn, had his wounds dressed, and then went to the theater and played in the second act of "A Midsummer Night's Dream," in which he is now appearing.

FOLLOW AMERICAN LEAD.

New Santo Domingo Government Must Keep Contracts.

SANTO DOMINGO, Dec. 11.—United States Minister Powell has been officially informed that the provisional government is not disposed to accept as final the settlements of American claims made with the late government of President Woe y Gil. Minister Powell has informed the provisional government his Government expects a full compliance with all the agreements entered into by the United States Government with the former governments of General Woe y Gil and General Valdesquez, and that his Government will not recognize the provisional agreement until it acknowledges all the agreements made with pending administrations. The British, French and German and

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Church Opposes Change

EPISCOPALIAN DEEM PRESENT NAME GOOD ENOUGH.

Proposition to Adopt Title of Catholics of America Defeated by Referendum Vote.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 11.—The statistics in regard to the vote on change of name were collected by Living Church, an Episcopal order of this city, and are as follows:

For a change—

Bishops 22

Clergy 20

Laity 64,883

Opposing—

Bishops 21

Clergy 22,636

Laity 2,636

The vote which favored an ultimate change, but did not desire it at this time, was 12 bishops, 386 clergy and 32,342 laity. The largest vote did not pass at all on the question of a change, but considered it unwise to act on the question at this time.

Insurance Swindler Sentenced.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Max Kronfeldt, the insurance adjuster, who made a sensational confession of dishonest methods employed by public insurance adjusters, was sentenced today to not less than three years, nor more than three years and nine months in state's prison for the presentation of false claims to an insurance company.

Christmas Rush of Foreigners Home.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Twelve hundred stateroom passengers sailed from this port today on the steamer La Champagne and 80 on the Lahn, making the total number returned to Europe during the Christmas rush nearly 50,000.

For Deepening of the Siuslaw.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 11.—Representative Hermann today presented to the House a memorial of the San Francisco Board of Trade urging an appropriation for deepening the entrance to the Siuslaw River, so as to permit the entrance of vessels of 1700 tons burden. As California is largely interested in the Siuslaw trade, the California delegation has been requested to support such an appropriation.

Head of Civil Service Reform.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 11.—At today's session of the 23d annual meeting of the National Civil Service Reform Association, Daniel C. Gilman was re-elected president.

The following vice-presidents were elected:

Charles Francis Adams, Joseph Choate, Grover Cleveland, Charles W. Eliot, Harry A. Garfield, Arthur T. Hadley, Henry Chase Lee, Seth Low, Franklin MacVane, George A. Pope, Bishop Henry C. Potter and Archbishop E. J. Ryan.

After the close of the business meeting the delegates and guests to the number of 23 participated in a banquet which closed the annual convention.

Arbitration by State Desired.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 11.—A special to the Tribune from Helper, Utah, says that at a mass meeting of striking coal miners held there tonight, and at which every camp in the district was represented, it was decided to ask the State Board of Arbitration to intervene and endeavor to effect a settlement between the Utah Fuel Company and their striking employees.

Blairs Leave St. Louis for Florida.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 11.—Mr. and Mrs. James T. Blair left the Mullany Hospital tonight, drove to the Union Station and departed for some point in Florida, presumably Boston. A date has not been set for the trial of the two indictments charging forgery, returned against Mr. Blair by the grand jury. He is