

WILL CUT THE BOND

French Chamber is Debating Church Separation.

STRONG VOTE FOR MEASURE

Two Motions for Delay Rejected by Great Majorities, Though Friends of Clergy Threaten Civil War—No Referendum Wanted.

PARIS, March 21.—The Chamber of Deputies today began the debate on the government's bill providing for the separation of church and state. A large crowd was present and intense interest was shown in the proceedings. The decision is considered of momentous importance, as both the Ministry and Parliament are now favorable to a separation, so the question which has been pending for years probably will be settled as a result of the debate, which is expected to last three weeks. Sixty-three orators, including M. Deschamps, former president of the Chamber, and MM. Jaures, Ribot, Miller and other conspicuous leaders have announced their intention of addressing the Chamber on the subject. The supporters of the bill are confident of success. The debate began with the motion of Georges Berry (Conservative), deferring the subject until after the general elections of 1906, and the motion of the Abbe Guiraud (Catholic Republican), to refer the question to a parliamentary commission. The opposition later will move to take a referendum of the Municipal Council of France. These motions will be voted on first. The strength of the various proposals is as follows: The Berry motion is favorable to the general principles of the bill and commends the various proposed measures for a referendum. M. Berry's motion, putting off the question until after the elections, was defeated by 38 to 40 votes. Before the vote was taken, M. Berry declared it to be the most unpopular vote ever taken. Therefore the separation of church and state would lead to serious religious troubles. The state would have to use violence, which would be met with violence, thus bringing on a civil war. By a vote of 386 to 352, the Chamber decided to accept Abbe Guiraud's motion favoring the appointment of a commission comprising clerics of different denominations to arrange an amicable settlement of the question of separation. Abbe Guiraud contended that the suppression of the budget of public worship amounted to robbery. The courts could compel Catholics to submit to the law, but they would never recognize its justice. If the gauntlet were thrown down to the church, it would be picked up.

NAVY EQUAL TO TWO POWERS

Cochran and Selborne Talk Frankly of Reasons for Naval Expansion. LONDON, March 21.—In the House of Lords this evening the navy expenditure was discussed on the call of the Liberal leader, Earl Spencer, for papers regarding the naval program. He said he did not desire to condemn the government, but he wanted an explanation of the plans involving the withdrawal of such a large number of vessels from the list of vessels which could be commissioned for active service and the reasons for the increased expenditures since 1904.

Accused of Breach of Neutrality.

BERLIN, March 21.—The Vorwaerts calls attention to the fact that the German Arms & Ammunition Company, formerly the firm of Loewe, is manufacturing several hundred machine guns for Russia and that many have already been shipped to Moscow. The company, the Vorwaerts asserts is working with feverish haste, under the direction of a Russian artillery expert, to complete the rest of the order. The newspaper claims that this is an infringement of neutrality laws, and points to the practice of the German government during the Boer War, when the Krupp firm refused to deliver guns already ordered by the Orange River Government, giving as an excuse that the German government had put a veto on the order.

Even Japan Has Her Grafters

Scandal in Barrack Contract—Steamer Mitsushima Gives Offense. VICTORIA, B. C., March 21.—The Japanese press is worked up with regard to the scandal in the Diet arising out of the building of barracks in Hokkaido, according to advices by the steamer Hyades. The government is attacked because the contract, which is shown to have given the contractors a large "graft," was awarded without tenders. Further orders for locomotives are being sent to America to add to those built in Japan for the roads built since the war in Corea and Manchuria. A new line is projected to connect Wiju with Niuchwang. Twenty-five new destroyers, each of 350 tons, are being built at different Japanese yards. When the big liner Minnesota arrived at Yokohama, members of the Japanese Diet visited her. They were not pleased with their reception by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, agents of the line, says the Tokyo Inuri, and are said to be urging the withdrawal or reduction of subsidy paid to Japanese steamship companies, the greatest of which is the Nippon Yusen Kaisha. The steamer Shitnaso Maru, which had been placed in service on the Yokohama-Seattle line has again been withdrawn and placed in transport service. The Waseda baseball team of Japan's most noted university will leave Japan

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OPEN BREACH WITH EMPEROR

Kossuth Party in Hungary Will Obstruct Till Demands Are Granted. VIENNA, March 21.—In regard to the Emperor-King's inflexible attitude concerning the military demands of the Hungarian opposition party, the executive committee of the leading Kossuth party decided today to obstruct every Cabinet decision excluding the principle of the opposition demand of Hungary as the language of command, or any Cabinet formed without the consent of the opposition. This means practically a breach between the crown and Parliament. Rumors are current that the Emperor is contemplating the appointment of a provisional Cabinet, which will dissolve Parliament and bring about new general elections.

READY FOR NEXT EMERGENCY

Police of India Will Be Equipped for Military Duty. LONDON, March 21.—The Daily Mail's Calcutta correspondent reports that a scheme has been sanctioned to reorganize and strengthen the Indian police, at a cost of \$5,000,000 with a view to rendering the police capable of holding the country in an emergency, thus releasing the troops for work at the front. The strength of the native police is 100,000, but only 50,000 are equipped with firearms. It is officered by whites. One Case of Plague at Valparaiso. NEW YORK, March 21.—There have been no fatalities from bubonic plague, and thus far only one case has been reported in Valparaiso, de Chile, according to the Herald's advices from that city. The authorities are taking every step to prevent the plague spreading, and no fears are entertained on this score.

TRAIN WRECKED FOR MALICE

Seven Persons on Rock Island Are Injured as Result. DES MOINES, Ia., March 21.—The Rocky Mountain Limited, west bound, on the Rock Island Railroad, was wrecked near Homestead, Ia., early today, and seven persons were injured. According to the railway officials, the wreck was caused by train wreckers, who escaped in the darkness. The most seriously injured are: Mrs. L. Crosswhite, Sargeant, Colo.; cut and bruised. C. J. Pomeroy, mail clerk, Newton, Kan.; head cut, bruised, and bruised. A. C. Hotchkiss, engineer, Rock Island, Ill.; hands and feet scalded. William Smith, fireman, Rock Island, Ill.; head and shoulders bruised. W. H. Vallock, porter, Chicago; head cut. L. A. Webber, mail clerk, Council Bluffs, Ia.; head cut. The wreck occurred on a high embankment, where the roadbed had been made soft by recent heavy rains. The roadmaster reported the wreck in the following message: "The wreck was caused by an unknown party removing spikes, bars and angle bars and displacing the rail. Spikes were removed from the rails. The engine and first four cars were thrown down a 45-foot embankment. The engine was completely stripped, the mail car destroyed, the buffet car on its side and the two sleepers badly damaged."

Salaries for Doing Nothing

Direct Evidence as to How Judge Hooker Runs His Office. ALBANY, N. Y., March 21.—Ex-Postmaster Arthur B. Moore, of Fredonia, N. Y., today testified before the assembly judiciary committee, which is investigating charges against Supreme Court Justice Warren B. Hooker, that several employees on the payroll of his office never performed any duty in his office, some of them, indeed, being actually employed elsewhere at the same time. Letters alleged to have passed between Justice Hooker and G. W. Beavers, superintendent of the salary and allowance division, First Assistant Postmaster-General Perry B. Heath and other officials of the Postoffice Department and Postmaster Moore, relative to the appointment in connection with which improprieties are alleged against Justice Hooker, were admitted in evidence.

FUNERAL OF GENERAL HAWLEY

Capital of Connecticut Pays High Honor to Dead Senator. HARTFORD, Conn., March 21.—The funeral of General Joseph R. Hawley, ex-United States Senator, held here today, brought together a notable gathering of men prominent in public and business life. For three hours today the body lay in state in the rotunda of the State Capitol. The General Assembly met and adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of General Hawley and immediately afterward a funeral service was held in the House chamber. Senator O. H. Platt delivered an eulogy on his former colleague. The joint convention of the General Assembly was then adjourned and the body was removed to the Avon Hill Congregational Church, escorted

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ed by the First Regiment, Connecticut National Guard, and veterans of the G. A. R. and religious services were held in the church. resigned six weeks ago because Premier Parent refused to form a new Cabinet. The Legislature will adjourn until Thursday, when it is expected the new government will be prepared to meet the house.

GREAT YEAR FOR RAILROADS

Construction of Over 9000 Miles Predicted for Year 1905. CHICAGO, March 21.—The Railway Age tomorrow will say that 1905 is to witness great activity in railroad building. A tabulated statement shows 700 miles under contract of construction and 800 miles of projected road which may reasonably be expected to materialize. In Canada also the year will witness wonderful activity in railway construction, including the inauguration at several points of work on another transcontinental line, which is to add 200 miles to the lines to be operated by the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

Quebec Will Have New Government.

QUEBEC, March 21.—S. N. Parent, Premier of the Province of Quebec, has resigned. Lomer Gouin was asked to form a new Cabinet. Gouin was formerly Minister of Public Works in the Parent Cabinet. He

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March 23, 24, 25

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