

LULL BEFORE STORM

Coming Week May Decide the Fate of Belgium.

A GENERAL STRIKE TOMORROW

Wednesday a Political Crisis Will Be Reached in Parliament on the Question of Revision—Rioting Ceases.

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BRUSSELS, April 12.—This exciting week ends with the lull before the storm. The coming week has been dubbed "revision week," and it promises to witness important events. A general strike has been proclaimed for Monday, and on Wednesday Parliament will be called upon to settle the question of revision of the constitution.

The Liberal leader in the Chamber of Deputies, M. Janssen, submitted a motion for the revision of the constitution, which the government agreed shall go before the Chamber next Wednesday.

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Rioters Averted by Troops. The rioting have been temporarily averted by the overpowering display of armed forces. The number of police, gendarmes and soldiers at the disposal of the authorities appears sufficient to cope with disturbances, so long as the troops remain loyal.

Perhaps the most significant event of yesterday was the open rupture in the Chamber of Deputies between the Socialists and the Liberal faction, heretofore associated with the former, with the object of forcing the government to grant universal suffrage.

The government has taken the most comprehensive measures not to be taken by surprise, and is firmly resolved not to yield to the revolutionary movement, holding that in order to deal properly with the questions of the revision of the constitution and universal suffrage, it is essential that Parliament be not influenced by the mob.

SCUTTLE THE ISSUE

Lines of Congressional Campaign Already Drawn.

SO SAYS CHAIRMAN BABCOCK

The Wisconsin Man's Effort for Tariff Revision and His Change of Front on the Cuban Reciprocity Bill.

There is a feeling in Washington that the Republicans will have hard work to hold their majority in the Congressional elections. Trouble is expected on the tariff and Cuban questions.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Representative Babcock expresses rather optimistic views of the prospects in the coming Congressional campaign, although the general impression here is that the Republicans will have a harder fight than ever before.

Participation of Anarchists. Asked if he thought the anarchists were profiting by the opportunity afforded them by the demonstrations recently made, Mr. Vandervelde said that he thought not.

Concerning the revolutionary songs and cries raised by some of the reservists called out this week, M. Vandervelde said: "They were quite comprehensible. The army is composed mostly of poor men, because the rich purchase substitutes."

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BURTON IS HOSTILE

Upper Columbia Will Have His Opposition.

HE WILL ASK FOR DELAY

Southern Members of Congress Are in Great Distress Over the Chinese Exclusion Bill.

Representative Jones, of Washington, yesterday spoke Chairman Burton out on the Cello Falls appropriation. Burton will seek to have it cut out of the bill, and hopes now center on Senator Foster.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Representative Jones today consulted Chairman Burton, of the river and harbor committee, in regard to the Washington amendment made to the river and harbor bill by the Senate committee.

INDIAN SCHOOL SCANDAL AVOID. Senate Sub-Committee's Investigation Behind Closed Doors. WASHINGTON, April 12.—The subcommittee of the Senate Indian committee today heard the testimony of Indian Commissioner Jones and ex-inspector McConnell, of Idaho, relative to charges made by McConnell of mismanagement in the Indian school service.

AT DANISH WEST INDIES. Officers of American Squadron Entertained by St. Thomas Governor. ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., April 12.—The Governor of St. Thomas entertained the officers of the North Atlantic Squadron at dinner last night.

DIVINE HEALERS TRY TO RESTORE LIFE. KANSAS CITY, April 12.—At Blue Springs, this county, divine healers have kept the death of Mrs. Nancy Ashley secret for three days, while they tried to restore the woman to life through prayer.

TO HONOR FURNISH

Salem Republicans Arrange for a Reception.

CLUB'S ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING

It is Proposed to Have All the Republican Nominees for State Offices Assemble in Capital City Next Week.

The Salem Republican Club will tender W. J. Furnish, nominee for Governor, a reception next week. It is proposed to have the attendance of all Republican candidates for state offices as well. The event will practically be the opening of the Marion County campaign.

SALEM, Or., April 12.—The Salem Republican Club this evening appointed a committee to arrange a reception to be given W. J. Furnish, Republican nominee for Governor, the latter part of next week. The committee is composed of J. H. McNary, Charles A. Murphy, J. D. Lee, W. J. Culver and J. N. Smith.

RATHBONE FILES AN APPEAL. Many Occurrences Which He Claims Entitle Him to a Rehearing. HAVANA, April 12.—Charles F. W. Neely, Estera G. Rathbone and W. H. Reeves have all appealed from the verdict of the Audencia Court, by which they were found guilty of misappropriation of Cuban postal funds and were sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment each, and to pay fines aggregating \$12,540.

COLOMBIAN WAR TAX. Forebode Collection from Liberals Begun at Panama. PANAMA, Colombia, April 12.—The government fleet, which sailed from here Thursday, returned last night. The gunboat Chusibulo patrolled the coast to the Bayamo River, whither 300 men had been sent to bring cattle for the troops.

WADE HAMPTON'S FUNERAL. Many South Carolina Organizations Will Take Part. COLUMBIA, S. C., April 12.—Arrangements for General Wade Hampton's funeral tomorrow are nearly completed. There will be many organizations from all parts of the state and military bands represented.



CANDIDATE CHAMBERLAIN—"GREAT!"

WISHES TO DETERMINE WHETHER GROSS IMPROBITY AND MISMANAGEMENT EXISTS IN THE INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE.

Important Rulings to Indiana. Land Commissioner Hermann today ruled that Indiana who have accepted allotted lands in severity are citizens of the United States and are therefore entitled to the benefits of homestead laws.

EYES OPEN FOR LABOR.

Congress Realizes It Cannot Safely Ignore the Workingmen. WASHINGTON, April 12.—Senator Lodge in his speech on the Chinese exclusion bill gave a warning to those who would favor putting off action or simply re-enacting the Geary law.

Customs Launch for Astoria. Senator Mitchell today, offered an amendment to the sundry civil bill appropriating \$10,000 for the construction of a launch for the customs service at Astoria.

Transfer of the Rural Guard. WASHINGTON, April 12.—Governor General Wood has issued an order directing Brigadier-General Alejandro Rodriguez, chief of the rural guard of Havana, to take command of the corps of artillery in addition to his present duties.

FOREIGN. The coming week will be a critical one for Belgium. A general strike has been proclaimed throughout Belgium for Monday.

DOMESTIC. Miller, the Detroit murderer, was sentenced to life imprisonment. A New York suburbanite proves to be a robber on a wholesale scale.

PACIFIC COAST. Salem Republican Club will tender W. J. Furnish a reception this week. J. H. Schively, well-known Washington politician, is a candidate for Congress.

COMMERCIAL AND MARINE. Wall street attributes erratic speculation of week to men who made fortunes in iron and steel. Corn straggles the feature of trading in Chicago grain pits.

PORTLAND AND VICINITY. Democratic caucus votes for fusion. Social Telegram Company subscribers \$1000 to Lewis and Clark fund.

NEW INDEPENDENT STEEL COMPANY. NEW YORK, April 12.—The Times will tomorrow say: "An independent iron and steel company with a capital of \$200,000,000 is to be incorporated at Trenton, N. J., this week."

FEATURES AND DEPARTMENTS. Editorial. Page 4. Dramatic and Musical. Page 15. Social. Page 30. Fine days to be shown this week. Page 4. Coronation of Edward VII. Page 24. Scrap-Book. Page 24. Popular Science. Page 23. Youth's Department. Page 28. Woman's Department. Pages 29 and 31. Frank Carpenter's letter. Page 30. What the Courts Decide. Page 30. George Ade's Fables. Page 30. Has Loeb Solved Life's Secret. Page 31. Questions and Answers. Page 31.