

UNION WITH GREECE

Situation in Balkans Complicated by Action of Crete.

WILL HAVE NO MORE OF SULTAN

Turkish Government Sends Note to Powers Protesting Against Action of Seceding Dependencies.

The people on the island of Crete, stirred by the events in southeastern Europe, the independence of Bulgaria and the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austria, have arisen and proclaimed union with Greece.

The Turkish government has sent to the powers a circular protesting against the Bulgarian proclamation and asking the powers what steps they mean to take looking to the re-establishment of order in Bulgaria and the maintenance of Turkey's interests, which were guaranteed by the treaty of Berlin.

Great Britain, in reply to the notification of Austria-Hungary's proposed annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, has refused its sanction to this action and has practically requested the Austro-Hungarian government to reconsider it.

Both Premier Asquith and Foreign Secretary Grey in public addresses touched upon the Balkan question, the former asserting that the British government would not stand alone among the powers in its present attitude, the latter expressing the belief that nothing has happened thus far that would lead to a breach of the peace.

In Serbia there is popular clamor for war against Austria-Hungary, and the Serbian government has issued an appeal to the powers, requesting them to restore the status quo or else to grant Serbia compensation.

Italy, through Signor Tittoni, the foreign minister, has demanded that in addition to the evacuation of Novibazar, Austria renounce the protectorates which she has exercised over Montenegro under the Berlin treaty. Italy is one with Great Britain, France and Russia in counseling the holding of a conference of the powers for the purpose of examining the complications that have arisen, and, if necessary, revising the treaty of Berlin.

HARRIMAN'S ULTIMATUM.

Favorable Laws or No New Railroads or Improvements.

San Francisco, Oct. 8.—An ultimatum from E. H. Harriman, delivered by J. C. Stubbs, his personal director of all Harriman lines, made at yesterday morning's session of the Trans-Mississippi congress, is one of the most sensational events in the history of that organization.

Harriman's message came like a thunderbolt.

He told the Trans-Mississippi congress, in effect, that if it did not work to prevent the enactment of legislation which had a tendency to discourage the confidence of the money markets in railroads as investments, not a mile of track in Harriman territory would be built or improved.

Stubbs compared the great undertakings of the United States government with those of Harriman, and predicted regretfully as a notable example that the Panama canal, 40 years after its completion, would prove a failure as a financial investment.

FLY ACROSS CHANNEL.

Prize of \$10,000 and Gold Cup for Successful Aeronaut.

Le Mans, France, Oct. 8.—Ten thousand dollars and a gold cup worth \$250 now await the first aviator who crosses the English channel in an airship of any kind heavier than air. Part of the \$10,000 is offered by the London Daily Mail and part by a big French champagne firm. The Aeroplane Society offers the cup.

Now that Wilbur Wright's performance in carrying a passenger 42 miles in one flight has finally accomplished the last of Lazare Weiller's conditions, he says that probably he will soon try a flight over the channel by the way of Dover and Calais. Three other aeronauts, declares N. Bleriot, are ready for the same test. All will begin their

Vermont to Elect Senator.

Burlington, Vt., Oct. 8.—The Vermont legislature convened yesterday for its regular biennial session. One of the most important duties of the session will be to elect a United States senator as successor to the late Redfield Proctor, Mr. Stewart now holding the place ad interim by appointment of the governor. There appears to be a strong popular sentiment that the honor should be conferred on former Governor Carroll S. Page. The names of Governor Fletcher Proctor and Congressman D. J. Foster also are mentioned in connection with the senatorship.

C. P. Strike Revived.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 8.—Mass meetings from Port Arthur to the coast were being held by the mechanics of the Canadian Pacific railroad yesterday, looking to a renewal of the strike recently settled. The men indignantly declare that the strike ended without their being given an opportunity to vote on the question. Few men have returned to work. Discussions have developed among the men throughout the west as a result of the action of their leaders.

Wonders of Wireless.

Honolulu, Oct. 8.—The local wireless station yesterday overheard a message from the station at Tatoonah, located at the mouth of Puget Sound, to the army transport Thomas, which sailed from San Francisco October 5, bound for Manila.

OPPOSE PARCELS POST.

Trans-Mississippi Congress Favors Ship Subsidy, However.

San Francisco, Oct. 9.—Assembling after half a day of recreation, the delegates to the nineteenth session of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial congress devoted yesterday afternoon and evening to practical addresses on the development of the West and brief speeches explanatory of resolutions under consideration by the various committees. Hereafter one half of each day is to be taken up by entertainment provided by the commercial bodies of San Francisco and of the 1200 delegates who are registered as attending the congress, fully one-third participated yesterday in an excursion by steamer to many points of interest on the bay.

A new flood of resolutions deluged the secretary's desk after the delegates returned. Because of the extended debates that have occurred in the sessions of the committee on resolutions, it is probable that the action upon many of the important measures for which approval has been asked will be retarded.

The committee has decided to recommend, in modified form, the resolution urging the necessity of providing for a rejuvenated merchant marine, and after a bitter debate of several hours, determined to report adversely the resolution commending the attitude of Postmaster General Meyer on the subject of a parcels post. The latter topic is expected to furnish the basis of a lively contest on the floor of the congress.

WAR ON AUSTRIA.

People of Serbia Renew Demands on King Peter.

Belgrade, Oct. 9.—Great crowds again surrounded the palace last night, shouting for war and calling for the king to appear. Finally King Peter, accompanied by the Crown Prince, came to the balcony and implored the people not to cause a disturbance. He said:

"Trust me and my government; both will do their duty."

The crowd cheered the king, but continued to shout, "War with Austria."

The report of the resignation of the ministers was premature, but the radicals are trying to bring this about, charging them with inactivity in the present critical situation, and it is feared that a cabinet crisis may be forced.

The report spread yesterday that the crown prince had announced his desire to lead an army into Bosnia. This was received with popular acclaim, and he was given an ovation while driving in his motor car in the afternoon. Thousands of people proceeded into the country to meet the troops returning from maneuvers, and escorted them into the town singing war songs.

LIMIT SKYSCRAPERS.

New York Building Authorities Decide on 300 Feet.

New York, Oct. 9.—The committee on public buildings of the board of aldermen has announced a public hearing on the proposal to limit the height of all buildings in New York. If the aldermen should adopt the proposal, after the hearing it must go to the board of estimates, and the mayor will have the final decision.

It is proposed to limit the height of buildings to 300 feet, with the exception of buildings that front on a park, square or plaza, for which the limit is proposed at 350 feet.

The proposition was made by the building code revision committee, which made its reports after investigating the width of the streets in the city. Where the width of a street is less than 45 feet, a height of 135 feet only will be permitted. A general limit of 150 feet is proposed for all stores, hotels, warehouses, restaurants, markets, refrigerator plants, stables, factories, workshops, garages and other structures of a similar nature. Office buildings, grain elevators and observatories are to be the only buildings to be allowed to rise higher.

It is expected that considerable opposition to the new plan will develop.

Colonize Big Ranch.

Red Bluff, Cal., Oct. 9.—One of the largest sales of land ever recorded in northern California was closed here yesterday, when the Herbert Kraft company sold the Capay Rancho, in the southern portion of Tehama county and the northern part of Glenn county, to the Metropolitan Trust company of San Francisco. The ranch consists of 1000 acres of fertile land, and is to be subdivided into colony tracts. The figures have not been made public, but it is stated here that the San Francisco concern paid \$250,000 for the land.

Fuel Oil for Warship.

Mare Island Navy Yard, Oct. 9.—The monitor Wyoming was placed in commission at the navy yard yesterday, after having been out of service for three years, during which time oil-burning furnaces had been installed. Commander J. J. Knapp is in command of the vessel. Important tests will be made with the Wyoming to determine the advisability of installing oil-burning furnaces on the large ships of the navy.

Riot Leaders Go Free.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 9.—The jury in the case of Abe Rayer, alleged mob leader, charged with destruction of property during the recent riots, returned a verdict of not guilty yesterday. Rayer had previously been acquitted of murder in connection with the lynching of William Donagan, an aged negro. This acquittal is taken to mean that convictions can not be obtained in the remaining riot cases.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

TWO-THIRDS SOLD.

Hood River Apple Growers' Union Disposes of Crop.

Hood River.—By disposing of 30 cars of Spitzbergers last week the directors of the Hood River Apple Growers' union have successfully marketed two-thirds of the crop which will be handled by them this year. The apples sold are the same sizes that last year made the world's record for high prices, and are said by the directors to have been again sold this year at the union's own figure. The purchasers are the Steinhart & Kelley company of New York, who bought 80 cars in the first deal, getting all the Newtowns, and for which it is said they have since been offered a bonus of \$10,000 to turn over to another firm and have refused to do so.

The deal was made with the Steinhart & Kelley people by mail, after a representative of the firm who was here some time ago reached New York, and includes all the four-tier Spitzbergers and larger, the four and one-half tier having been bought by them in a previous deal. Altogether, the union has now sold 140 cars of apples at its own figures, the balance of its part of the Hood River crop amounting to about 60 cars.

Its disposal of the high priced Spitzbergers has been watched with interest by buyers, who have claimed that they would not be sold to one firm this year, and were waiting to see them split up and sold in small lots to various firms to supply their fancy trade in the big eastern cities. Heretofore the Steinhart & Kelley company has bought its Hood River Spitzbergers in this way, but this year will be the seller to other firms instead of the purchaser.

Winter apple picking commenced Monday, and the largest packing crews which have ever been put in the field here will commence packing the fruit for shipment this week.

Get Water From McKenzie.

Eugene.—The McKenzie Valley Irrigation & Power company has elected the following officers: J. A. Younggreen, president; N. Needham, vice-president; H. Phellapace, secretary, and W. A. Platt, treasurer. Engineer McArthur will start the preliminary survey for the proposed irrigation canal at once. The water will be taken from the west side of the McKenzie near Hendricks' ferry. At this point the river is walled with solid rock, which will have to be blasted out. The canal will furnish water to irrigate the farms between the McKenzie and Willamette rivers west of Springfield.

Break New Law.

Salem.—A large number of state officers and employees were surprised to learn that they have violated the new corrupt practices act by contributing to campaign funds. The act was adopted by the people last June and its terms were published both before and after election. Moreover, copies of that and all other acts submitted were mailed to all registered voters. But public officers overlooked or forgot the provisions forbidding them to make contributions and many of them have "dug up" already in this campaign.

Will Have Summer Home.

Marshfield.—Bishop Scadding, of the Western Oregon diocese of the Episcopal church, who has been visiting in Coos Bay, has decided to establish a summer home at Bandon. He has purchased two lots and has given the contract for erecting a residence. He will spend four months of each year at his Bandon home doing missionary work on the coast between Bandon and Gold Beach and will reside in Portland the other eight months of the year.

Take Ten Fruit Prizes.

Grants Pass.—Josephine county fruit-growers are highly pleased over receiving the news from the fair in Medford that this county had taken ten prizes upon apples out of an exhibit of eleven varieties, seven of which were first premiums. Of this last class the following are Spitzbergers, Baldwin, Rome Beauty, Arkansas Black, King, Lawyer and Ben Davis. It is also reported that first prize was awarded for best display of Tokay grapes.

Find What O. R. & N. Cost.

Salem.—The Oregon railroad commission has fixed October 23 at 10 A. M. as the time for conducting an investigation as to the original cost and the cost of reproduction of the main line of the O. R. & N. The investigation will be conducted in the auditorium of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. The commission is making this investigation for the purpose of forming the basis for regulation of freight rates in this state.

Plans Walnut Institute.

McMinnville.—The Walnut Club, of McMinnville, held a business meeting last week, and decided to hold a walnut institute in this city during the early winter, at which lectures would be given relative to walnut culture, harvesting and marketing, and a general school of instruction inaugurated during the three or four days of the exhibit.

Scores of Men Put to Work.

Oregon City.—After a shutdown of six weeks, the four paper machines in Mill C, of the Willamette Pulp & Paper company, have been started, providing employment to scores of men who have been idle. The machines were in need of extensive repairs and the water has been low, so that the power from the falls was insufficient.

Sends Nine to College.

Hood River.—Hood River this year will send nine high school graduates to the higher educational institutions of the state.

RECLAIMING ARID LAND.

Irrigation for 60 Acres of Klamath Foothill Land.

Klamath Falls.—Fred Melhase will put in a pumping plant to irrigate 60 acres of land on the foothills east of this city. This land, with 8,000 other acres, is above the government canal, and is practically worthless, as not a drop of water can be put on it. With irrigation it will be the finest fruit land in the valley, worth over \$200 an acre.

The government has surveyed a ditch through this hill land, to be used after its pumping plant is established. Mr. Melhase will use this survey and later turn his plant over to the government. He will secure electric power from the Moore electric plant.

Eastland Secures Scholarship.

University of Oregon, Eugene.—Herbert Eastland, a university graduate of '05, has been granted the full scholarship offered by the University of Oregon medical college in Portland to the graduates of the University of Oregon. Eastland took his major work under Professor Sweeter in the biological department. The scholarship amounts to all the tuition and fees that are charged at the medical school. No decisions have yet been made in regard to the two half scholarships awarded each year.

Revive Malheur Project.

Ontario.—A meeting of the Ontario Commercial club was held recently to take action looking to the revival of the Malheur project. It is known that the reclamation department is now looking for an irrigation project in this state, and that there is money available for that purpose. The Malheur project was considered one of the most feasible in the state of Oregon, and if the matter is brought before the government properly it is thought favorable action will be taken.

Testing Oysters at Coos.

University of Oregon, Eugene.—The biological department is gathering statistics from the Coos Bay country with a view to raising oysters for commercial purposes. Professor Sweeter and the members of his department have done considerable work along this line during the summer, and if the statistics obtained prove the raising of oysters is possible and a paying proposition, oyster beds will probably be installed at various points on the coast within the next four years.

Asks Engineer's Removal.

Klamath Falls.—The directors of the Klamath Water Users' association have asked the secretary of the interior for the removal of D. W. Murphy, project engineer, in charge of the Klamath reclamation project. The action of the board is a surprise to many landowners. Little information is available as to the charges outside of those cited in the letter to the interior department—lack of economy in construction and lack of administrative ability.

Postal Receipts Increase.

Albany.—Albany postoffice receipts during the past quarter show a big gain over the similar period last year. The receipts for the quarter ending September 30 were \$313,033, while the same period in 1907 yielded only \$271,974, a gain of \$49,229.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, 93c; club, 88c; rye, 88c; red Russian, 86c; 40-fold, 91c; Valley, 90c.
Barley—Feed, \$26 per ton; rolled, \$27.50@28.50; brewing, \$26.50.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$31@31.50 per ton; gray, \$30@30.50.
Hay—Timothy, Willamette Valley, \$14 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordinary, \$11; Eastern Oregon, \$16.50; mixed, \$13; clover, \$9; alfalfa, \$11; alfalfa meal, \$20.
Fruit—Apples, new, 60c@1.50 per box; peaches, 65c@85c per box; pears, 50c@1.25 per box; plums, 50c@1 per box; grapes, 50c@1.25 per crate; Concord, 20c@22½c per basket; huckleberries, 9c@10c per lb.; quinces, \$1.25 per box; cranberries, \$10 per barrel; prunes, 2c per lb.
Potatoes—80c@90c per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2c per lb.
Melons—Cantaloupes, \$1@1.50 per crate; watermelons, 1c per lb.; casabas, \$1.75@2 per doz.
Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.25 per sack; carrots, 85c; parsnips, \$1.25; beets, \$1.25; artichokes, 65c per doz.; beans 5c@10c per lb.; cabbage, 2c@2½c per lb.; cauliflower, 50c@1.25 per doz.; celery, 75c@85c per doz.; corn, 90c@1.15 per sack; cucumbers, 15c@20c per doz.; egg plant, \$1.25 per crate; lettuce, 75c@1 per box; parsley, 15c per doz.; peas, 6c per lb.; peppers, 8c@10c per lb.; pumpkins, 1c@1½c per lb.; radishes, 12½c per doz.; spinach, 2c per lb.; sprouts, 9c per lb.; squash, 1½c per lb.; tomatoes, 50c@60c.
Butter—City creamery, extras, 32½@34c; fancy outside creamery, 30c@32½c per lb.; store, 18c.
Eggs—Oregon extras, 31c@32½c; firsts, 27c@30c; seconds, 23c@26c; Eastern, 25c@28c per doz.
Poultry—Hens, 11c@12c per lb.; spring, 11c@12c; ducks, old, 12c@12½c; spring, 14c@15c; geese, old, 9c; young, 10c@11c; turkeys, old, 17c@18c; young, 20c.
Veal—Extra, 9c per lb.; ordinary, 7c@7½c; heavy, 5c.
Pork—Fancy, 8½c per lb.; ordinary, 6c@7c large, 5c.
Hops—Oregon, 1908, 7c@7½c per lb.; 1907, 2½c@4c; 1906, 1½c@1¾c.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 10c@16c per lb., according to shrinkage; valley, 15c@15½c.
Mohair—Choice, 18c@18½c per lb.

TURKEY APPEALS TO POWERS.

Willing to Yield to Conference, but Wants Bulgaria Disciplined.

Constantinople, Oct. 7.—The council of ministers held a long session yesterday morning to consider the action of Bulgaria in declaring her independence of Turkey at Tirnovo. It was decided that it was impossible to accept any proceedings that violated existing treaties and that Turkey should address a circular note to the powers pointing out the necessity of taking measures to enforce respect for the treaty of Berlin.

Replying to the terms sent to the Turkish government by Prince Ferdinand, in which he said in declaring the independence of Bulgaria he had been compelled to respect the voice of the nation and expressed the hope that the friendly relations between the two countries would continue, Turkey says she has invited the powers to confer on the situation and as her rights are guaranteed by the powers she will look to them for their defense. The Yeni Gazette, the organ of the grand vizier, said yesterday:

"We are ready to defend our rights with all our strength. As the action of Bulgaria is not only directed against us, but against all the powers we should ask the powers to defend their interests and protect the provisions of the treaty of Berlin."

According to this same journal, Austria-Hungary has informed the powers of her intention of withdrawing her troops from the Sanjak of Novibazar.

WORK FOR WEST.

Nineteenth Session of Trans-Mississippi Congress Opens.

San Francisco, Oct. 7.—Assembled to promote the common interests of nearly a score of states comprising the west, several hundred delegates in attendance upon the opening session of the Nineteenth Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress yesterday listened to gratifying assurances of co-operation and support from the national administration, from the representative of 20 republics of the western continent, who are interested in the pending deliberations, from the two leading candidates for the presidency of the United States and from the leading citizens of the states and territories comprising their own organizations.

Resolving for the succeeding days of the congress the spirited debates promised on the conservation of natural resources and kindred topics, the visitors yesterday basked in the warmth of a welcome extended by practically every official representative of the state and city honored by their coming, and in the afternoon received with enthusiastic delight the official assurances of two speakers who promised a splendid fulfillment of western hopes and western ideals.

Not the least striking feature of the session was the astonishment expressed by delegates who witnessed for the first time the rapid rebuilding of San Francisco. A dozen speakers declared that the marvelous restoration of the city destroyed less than three years ago would prove the inspiration of the congress.

BLAME ON CAPTAINS.

Tugboats Found Responsible for Loss of Star of Bengal.

San Francisco, Oct. 7.—Federal investigation into the loss of the bark Star of Bengal with 111 lives on Coronation Island, September 20, has resulted in the filing of direct charges of responsibility for the tragedy against Captain Patrick Hamilton, of the tug Kayak, and Captain Farrar, of the Hattie Gage.

Supervising Inspector Birmingham has not yet decided whether these charges will be tried here, at Seattle or Juneau, Alaska. In the event that the accused skippers are found guilty as charged, information will be filed with the United States attorney in Alaska, and they will be brought before a grand jury on a felony charge.

Captain Nicholas Wagner, master of the Star of Bengal; Victor Johanson, his first mate, and two of the seamen who testified at the investigation, made to ascertain Captain Wagner's responsibility for the loss of the bark, made a statement under oath yesterday to the United States officials in which they charge Captains Hamilton and Farrar with cowardice and neglect in deserting the bark when she was in a critical position.

Revenue is Greater.

New York, Oct. 7.—The report of the Northern Pacific for the year ending June 30 shows an increase in revenue over the year before, but a decrease in net income. In 1907 the road earned in the passenger department \$14,329,861, while in 1908 it increased to \$18,133,238. In the freight department the earnings were \$47,650,369 in 1907, while in 1908 they totalled only \$46,423,836. The decrease in net income was due to increase in operating expenses and an increase of over \$2,000,000 in interest, and commissions paid on new stock subscriptions.

Typhoon in Philippines.

Manila, Oct. 7.—Word received yesterday from the artillery post camp at Stotsenburg, 60 miles from here, says the whole post was destroyed by the typhoon of Sunday night. Nothing is left but the foundations of the buildings. No reports of casualties have been received. Other posts throughout the islands are believed to have been badly damaged also and it is feared some of them have been wiped out. Damage to wires has made communication practically impossible.

Castro Reported Ill.

Willemstad, Oct. 7.—It is reported here from Venezuela that President Castro is seriously ill and that the government of Venezuela probably soon will have to be turned over to the vice-president of the republic.

KING IS CORNERED

Servian People Demand War With Austria or Abdication.

EMPEROR JOSEPH IS PREPARED

Could Place One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Men in Servia in Twenty-Four Hours.

London, Oct. 10.—In spite of warnings to King Peter from Great Britain and France that the people of Servia be kept in check, the populace of Belgrade held demonstrations yesterday and demanded the resignation of the cabinet and also the abdication of King Peter unless he declared war against Austria-Hungary, which has refused to accept Servia's protest against the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Two thousand Austro-Hungarian troops are garrisoned along the Drina river between Bosnia and Servia, ready for eventualities, and it is said 150,000 men can be thrown into Servian territory in 24 hours.

M. Iswolsky, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, arrived in London last night and will have a conference today with Sir Edward Grey, British secretary for foreign affairs, concerning the calling together of the powers signatory to the treaty of Berlin in an endeavor to bring about order in the Balkans.

Prince Ferdinand, czar of Bulgaria, entered Philippopolis yesterday and received an enthusiastic greeting at the hands of the troops and the populace.

At Candia, the largest city in Crete, the militia yesterday followed the example of their compatriots at Canea, the capital, and took the oath of loyalty to Greece.

A British fleet of two battleships, two cruisers and two torpedoed destroyers is today well on its way from Malta to the Aegean sea.

The forts on the Bosphorus yesterday fired blank shots across the bows of a steamer flying the new Bulgarian royal flag as it attempted to pass them.

A remarkable feature of the situation is the self-control of the Turks, who are acting practically under the direction of Sir Edward Grey, the British secretary of foreign affairs, who is supposed to have written these notes to Austria-Hungary, which was published today.

BATTLE TO RAGE.

Trans-Mississippi Congress May Fight Roosevelt's Policy.

San Francisco, Oct. 10.—The session of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress held yesterday was devoted largely to addresses covering a wide variety of subjects, to the deliberations of the committee on resolutions, which took action upon a number of important questions, and to entertainment of the delegates in the form of automobile tours of the city.

Practically all of the contests before the committee on resolutions affect, directly or indirectly, the expressed policy of the national administration upon matters relating to conservation of resources and in some instances it is expected that the controversies will be carried to the floor of the congress this morning, when the delayed report of the committee is presented for consideration.

One of the most important of those related to the disposal of water rights suitable for power development, and a resolution introduced by Frank Short, of Fresno, dealing with the subject, was so amended before the committee as to defeat a proposal to grant to the originators of power projects the rights and privileges that are now accorded irrigators. Ex-Governor George C. Pardee, of California, a member of the national commission on conservation of resources, opposed Mr. Short in the hearing, and it was agreed that the resolution should not endorse the granting of perpetual rights, whether located in or out of forest reserves, and should not confer the right of disposal upon the state in which they were located.

Coal Suit Compromised.

Pueblo, Colo., Oct. 10.—The famous suit of the United States against the Ute Coal & Coke company, of Durango, Colo., in which the government sought to recover \$300,000 for coal alleged to have been taken from government lands illegally was compromised in the federal court here yesterday. The coal company is to pay the government \$400,000. The case was awarded July 12, and the government was awarded judgment in the sum of \$5,125, but immediately took an appeal. The case was reversed and remanded for trial.

Fire on Bulgarian Flag.

Constantinople, Oct. 10.—One of the boats of a Bulgarian company which runs a steamship line between Constantinople and Varna narrowly escaped serious trouble yesterday as a result of flying the new Bulgarian royal flag, which is unknown among the nations of the world. The steamer attempted to enter the Bosphorus and the observers in the forts, not knowing her nationality, fired three blank shots across her bows. Thereupon the steamer turned and departed.

Sought Triple Alliance.

Hongkong, Oct. 10.—It is learned here from reliable sources that the real reason of Sir Robert Hart's recent visit to England was to bring about an alliance between Great Britain, the United States and Great Britain to conserve the interests of the three nations in the Far East.