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ENGLAND AND RUSSIA.

British Warships Cleared for Action and Awaiting Orders.

RUSSIANS ASSEMBLE AT PORT ARTHUR.

War Between England and France Averted --British Government Officials Turn Their Entire Attention to Russia, Claiming She Has Taken Advantage of the Fashoda Crisis.

Associated Press Dispatches. WEI-HAI-WEI, Nov. 2.—All the British warships here, the first-class battle-ship Centurion, first-class cruiser Narouiss, second-class cruiser Hermione, torpedo-boat destroyer Whiting, torpedo-boat destroyer Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer Haudy and the first-class gunboat Peacock, have cleared for action and are ready for sea at an hour's notice.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—The dispatch from Wei-Hai-Wei, announcing war preparations, officials here announce as grave, coupled with the Anglo-French preparations. It is surmised that Russia, profiting by the present strained relations between Great Britain and France, has decided to forward her aims in the Far East by seizing the valuable treaty port of Niu Chuang, which Great Britain cannot permit, it is said.

A dispatch from London to the Associated Press October 20, said a cable message has been received here from Shanghai as follows: "A Russian regiment occupied the town of Niu Chuang (province of Leo Tong), and the forts at the mouth of the River Liaou, October 15, thus securing complete possession of Niu Chuang. The native troops fled without making any opposition, under orders from the emperor dowager and Li Hung Chang. A British gunboat was in the river at the time. This nonresistance is regarded as virtual abandonment of Manchuria to Russia, and gives Russia an invaluable strategic point. Great Britain is certain to lose the Niu Chuang trade, of which it has about 80 per cent."

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The London correspondent of the Evening Post cables that a general satisfactory arrangement has been effected between Great Britain and France on the Fashoda question.

LONDON, Nov. 3.—An official note issued this evening says: "There is good reason to hope the political situation is ameliorating. It can be confidentially stated that when the cause of irritation which unfortunately recently existed between France and Great Britain on the Upper Nile is removed, which is expected soon to be done, the door will be again open for the resumption of those friendly negotiations which have characterized the normal state of relations between the two countries."

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—A dispatch to the Herald from Paris says: France is regarding England with anxious eyes. Everything indicates the warlike spirit prevailing across the channel. All the journals record the British naval preparations with pessimistic comments. Nobody here desires war. In the first place, Fashoda is not ready. If force is resorted to, it will be England that insists upon it.

The Temps even advocates the avoidance of a struggle at any cost. "France," it urges, "ought to consider her interests and those of civilization, both of which forbid an appeal to arms. She ought to preserve her dignity by imparting a new character to her relations with the United Kingdom. Some victories, either diplomatic or otherwise, are dearly purchased. By abusing a momentary advantage, the risk is run of determining the general direction of international politics in a sense quite opposite to the real interest of the country, which seems to triumph."

This means presumably that England is in a strong position, but that if she pushes France too hard, she risks bringing about a European coalition against her everywhere abroad. In another part of the same journal, commenting on the news of the day on the Fashoda question, says: "As the English government does not seem to be actuated by a conciliatory spirit, it may be as well that France examine the question of recalling Marchand."

The Liberte attributes the recrudescence of the warlike attitude in England to the return of Mr. Chamberlain, who may have thought that as France accepts the principle of the evacuation of Fashoda, a few more threats would procure further concessions from her.

"This is by no means certain," argues our contemporary, "if Great Britain seems invulnerable, there are many points in her empire where she may be attacked. Her name is not exactly venerated in Ireland, where a revolution might break out the moment war was declared, besides which it seems fairly certain that a strong Abyssinian force is rapidly drawing near."

SYDNEY, C. B. I., Nov. 2.—The British warships Cordelia and Pacific arrived today from Halifax. Their visit is regarded as extraordinary, as both were supposed to leave for home to go out of commission. The ships have submarine mines and heavy guns aboard, specially shipped at Halifax, and it is reported they will mine the entrance to Sydney and St. John's, N. F., harbors.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—The fact that coast guardmen throughout the United Kingdom have been warned to be in readiness for mobilization is regarded as a menacing sign. Many of them have already joined their ships.

NO LONGER A REPUBLIC.

Nicaragua Becomes one of the United States of Central America.

Associated Press Dispatch. New York, Nov. 1.—A dispatch to the Herald from Washington says: There appears to have been good reason for the prompt action of the Nicaraguan congress in ratifying the new agreement entered into between President Zelaya and Messrs. Eyre and Cragin for the Nicaraguan canal concession.

Nicaragua will cease today to exist as a republic and may further action respecting foreign concessions in connection with the canal will have to be taken by the United States of Central America, comprising what will hereafter be known as the States of Honduras, Salvador and Nicaragua. Any further negotiations between the United States government in regard to the Nicaraguan canal will therefore have to be with this new republic. The recent activity of Messrs. Eyre and Cragin in securing the agreement with the president of Nicaragua and the promptness displayed by the Nicaraguan congress in ratifying the administration can therefore be well understood.

As understood here these gentlemen have not actually obtained the concession for building the canal, this is not admissible under the terms of the contract with the Maritime Canal Company, but an option which gives them the right to construct the canal when the contract now held by the Maritime Canal Company lapses. But whatever may be the technical name for the agreement which has been recently entered into there seems little doubt that Messrs. Eyre and Cragin have obtained from Nicaragua an import and valuable privilege which will have to be considered when the time comes for the United States government to take hold of the project.

After today the national and international affairs of Honduras, Nicaragua and Salvador will be conducted by a provisional government. This government will be inaugurated today and will be located at Amapala, Honduras. In accordance with the new constitution, recently agreed upon by the three countries, a provisional government comprising a delegate from each of the three states to sit at the point named, is to have control of all national and international affairs until March 15th next, when a president of Estados Unidos de Centro America is to be elected.

The delegates from the three states which will hereafter be as such, are Dr. Gallago, of Salvador, Dr. Cronet Mas, of Nicaragua, and Dr. Ugarte, of Honduras. The presidents respectively of Honduras, Salvador and Nicaragua will hereafter be known as governors and the congresses will become legislative bodies as with our states.

By granting to another company the right to build the Nicaraguan canal, provided the contract now held by the Maritime Canal Company lapses as a result of failure to carry out its terms, Nicaragua has greatly embarrassed the administration. Through Minister Merry, stationed at San Jose, and the American consul at Managua, the authorities have yet come officially.

The embarrassment of the administration lies in the fact that it has endorsed the project of the Maritime Canal Company and that bills are now pending in congress providing government aid in the construction of the canal, one of which it is expected will pass during the coming session.

From the way the authorities talk it is evident to their minds that the new company interested in the canal has simply come in and complicated the situation and one of the officials said that he believed it could be bought out that it was to obtain such a result that it negotiated the agreement it had made with the Nicaraguan government.

The Army Reorganization. WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The subject of the reorganization of the army with a view to securing an adequate force for the new possessions of the United States has already received the serious consideration of the president, secretary of war and officers of the army. The president will make recommendations to congress embodying his views and the views of those who are in a position to give the best advice. It is probable he will recommend an increase of the army to 100,000. It is believed the demands which have been made upon the senators and representatives for mustering out volunteer regiments and the discharge of volunteers who have remained in service have been so great that they will be convinced that a regular army for garrison duty in the new possessions is an absolute necessity.

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DEMAND ISLANDS.

Willing to Reimburse Spain for the "Pacific Expenditures."

By the Associated Press. PARIS, Oct. 31.—At the meeting of the peace commission today the Americans presented a written expression of the purpose of the Americans concerning the Philippine Islands. The reading disclosed the fact that the United States government had determined to possess for itself certain territory and parts of land bounded and lying within such parallels of latitude and longitude as mark the limits of the Philippine archipelago. The United States do not propose assuming the Philippine debt of \$40,000,000, but they are willing to be responsible to Spain for a sum of money equal to the actual expenditures by Spain in the Philippines for the advantage of the islands and for the good of their people, for permanent betterments and for improvements both physical and mental.

The reading of the presentment specifies that the United States will reimburse Spain to the extent of her "pacific expenditures" made in the archipelago. This phrase of "pacific expenditures" is employed to differentiate the expenditures by Spain in combating insurrections in the Philippines. One is left by the commissioners to be a fair burden on the acquiring power, while the other and latter class of expenditures is held to have been logically assumed by Spain in the inevitable hazard to the nation resorting to arms to enforce order in its own territory.

Such is the vital portion of the presentment made by the American commissioners today, and it is to be observed that while the main proposition as to possession and financial responsibility is clear and definite, many details have been left to the developments of the discussions between the two commissions. Thus, while the Spaniards are thought quite certain that the United States intends to reimburse them for "pacific expenditures," they remark that they are not enlightened as to whether the Americans expect to indorse the Spanish obligations in the extent of the "pacific expenditures" in the archipelago or whether they will hand Spain a lump sum of gold large enough to cover Spain's outlay as designated. It is unlikely, however, that the Americans will care to become identified in the slightest degree with Spain in her responsibilities to her creditors. The clearer method seems to be to hand to Spain the spot cash.

The session adjourned until Friday in order to give the Spaniards time to prepare a reply. The session lasted a little over one hour.

Porto Rico Not for Poor Men. WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The following report from Mr. Hanna, the American consul at Porto Rico, has been received by the assistant secretary of state and will be of interest to persons contemplating migration to that island. In his report Hanna says: "I am convinced that young men seeking work or positions of any kind should not come to Porto Rico. Such persons as clerks, carpenters, mechanics and laborers of all grades should stay away from Porto Rico. No American should come to Porto Rico expecting to strike it rich, and no persons should come here without plenty of money to pay board bills and have enough to take them back to their homes in the United States. I deem it important that the department cause this suggestion to be made public through the newspapers of the country."

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Mysterious Murder Explained. ASTORIA, Or., Oct. 23.—According to the confession of Herman Kaula, the mysterious death of Herman Johnson in this city 12 years ago turns out to have been a cold-blooded murder. Kaula, now in custody of the sheriff, tells the following story: "On Christmas evening 12 years ago Herman Johnson, Elias Kaula and myself got into a row in a saloon. After the trouble Johnson and I started home together, and while proceeding up the road way in West Astoria, near the bay, Kaula, who was secreted in the dark, waylaid us and in the struggle struck Johnson on the head with a club and killed him. Kaula then turned his attention to me, and I agreed to say nothing about the murder if I let alone. The dead man was then thrown over the bank into the bay, and his body being subsequently found it was determined by a coroner's jury that Johnson was accidentally drowned." Kaula is supposed to be in Finland.

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