

NO MORE WARS IN SIGHT

International Horizon, Since Victoria's Death, is Clear.

DOWNING STREET FEELS SECURE

Emperor's Visit and Other Events Tend in One Direction—King Edward Makes Himself Popular with the Soldiers.

LONDON, Feb. 9.—A conservative view of the international situation reveals improved prospects for continued peace and harmony. A sufficient time has elapsed since Victoria ceased to reign for the foreign office to feel the political pulse of the capitals of Europe and the brief examination commenced in an spirit of confidence and security at Downing street. The foremost factor in this, naturally, is Emperor William's attitude. Responsible officials here make no attempt to conceal the elation at the circumstance attendant on his majesty's visit. They do not shut their eyes to the dissatisfaction the emperor has caused among certain sections of his subjects, but rely implicitly on the imperious force of Germany's ruler to successfully overcome the opposition encountered.

Closer relations undoubtedly now exist between Great Britain and Germany. Lord Salisbury and Lord Lansdowne are quite prepared to hear Count von Buelow, the imperial chancellor, abjectly beg pardon for the Emperor William's visit, but in Downing street this will be taken as meant purely for home consumption and as evidence of the skillful hand of the emperor.

The alliance between Great Britain and Portugal scarcely needed the visit of King Carlos to render it stronger. Yet the continued stay here of that ruler is believed to be likely to bring the peoples of Portugal and Great Britain in closer touch, thus rendering easier the work of their respective governments. So far as the diplomatic phase goes the Associated Press is officially informed that nothing resulted from the visit of King Carlos.

The mutual responsibilities in connection with Delagoa bay were too well understood previously to need further discussion. Thus, Portugal, Germany and Great Britain are believed to be more closely united than ever in their history, and to be united by a compact that in the opinion of leading British statesmen is stronger even than the dreadnought, which is becoming more of a tradition than a working agreement.

Kaiser Overdone It

The only feature of the recent international happenings regarded at Downing street is the emperor's decoration of Field Marshal Roberts with the order of the Black Eagle. It is thought his majesty went almost too far, in view of the hostile comments the German press is in the habit of showering on Great Britain's South African campaign. "Still," say the officials, "Emperor William never does things by halves."

Neither in China, nor in other parts of the world, does Russia or France give any indication of concentration against the activity of British diplomacy. Lord Salisbury is said to rely on Emperor William to keep to touch and harmony with the czar. So long as this is feasible, France is not expected to take any serious initiative. Moreover, according to dispatches in the British press, French anglophobia seems to have abated since the queen's death. Austria and Italy are put down as sure to do nothing contrary to Emperor William's wish.

It is easily seen that Emperor William is the dominant figure in European affairs. This Great Britain has made possible, and she trusts to benefit by it.

Relationship between the reigning families of Europe is not held to be of much account in the chancelleries, but so far as it goes, it is believed King Edward's personality will tend to improve its degree of potency.

Canal Cloud Disappearing

More important to some cabinet ministers than the European situation is the belief that a solution of the Nicaragua canal dispute can be arrived at without the slightest friction. With the exception of China, this was the only serious cloud on Great Britain's diplomatic horizon previous to the queen's death. Now, it is hoped, it will disappear.

The announcement made by the Associated Press that Great Britain is about to make counter proposals to the United States on the basis of the senate's amendments to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, which are likely to necessitate extended negotiations, not a word of which is known in England, may be safely described as a pound of Salisbury and an ounce of Lansdowne. The premier's foreign policy has been somewhat justly defined as a mixture of Micawberism and fatalism. Lord Lansdowne is said to have taken up a rather aggressive standpoint in insisting on the observance of the ethics of treaties, but the same spirit of compromise, which, it is hoped, will be shown by the United States, prevailed within the British cabinet. Lord Salisbury, as usual, gaining his point. Whether the cabinet is unanimously optimistic in thinking the United States will consider or agree to counter proposals time alone will show. As a foreign office official said sentimentally, "Nothing is ever settled by one dispatch."

Simultaneously with the accession of King Edward VII, whom incidentally golfers refer to as the first sovereign who has played golf since James II, the waters of the Nile have been turned back. Sir John Aldrich had this week: "The last channel has been

It Hangs On

We are talking about your cough. One cold no sooner passes off before another comes. But it's the same old cough all the time. And it's the same old story, too. There is first the cold, then the cough, then pneumonia or consumption, with the long sickness and life trembling in the balance.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

loosens the grasp of your cough. The congestion of the throat and lungs is removed; all inflammation is subdued; and the parts are put perfectly at rest, and the cough drops away.

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closed at Assuan. You can now walk across the Nile. This will solve the problem of providing corn in Egypt. The piece of dam construction will have to withstand a severe strain when the Nile rises with the next floods.

Honor for Mr. Abbey

Another American was accorded what is considered a high honor when Mr. Abbey was elected a member of the Athenaeum club under the provisions of the rule empowering the election of persons of distinguished eminence in science, literature and the arts. It is interesting to note that two celebrated Van Dyck portraits, sold at the Peck auction in 1900 for 24,250 guineas, have been bought by the Berlin museum from a London dealer, thus being lost to England and causing the London Times to bewail the depleted state of the exchequer which prevented the National Gallery from acquiring them.

The husband of Mrs. Forester, who purchased Lady Warwick's dainty Bond street millinery store some time ago, is a son of Lord Forester, one of two peers privileged to keep his hat on in the presence of the king. Lady Warwick was so immersed in social and educational work that she had no time to superintend the store.

King Edward's bestowal of the Victoria order on enlisted men of the navy for services in connection with the funeral has caused a shock to officers of both arms and enthusiasm among the rank and file. It is without precedent and has done much to popularize King Edward with his sailors. The officers are beginning to see the king's motive in according the sailors an exceptional honor.

Some of the army officers are bitterly complaining of an innovation since Lord Roberts took command of the forces, by which they are obliged to wear uniforms whenever they go to the War office. Some officers' uniforms are likely to be as common in London streets as private uniforms are now.

Duke of Cornwall Back in London

LONDON, Feb. 9.—The duke and duchess of Cornwall and York returned to London this afternoon from Osborne.

PREFER CHARGES OF LOOTING

Evidence that Great Scandal is About to Be Brought to Light in China.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—A dispatch to the Herald from Peking says: The family of Lu Sen, minister of foreign affairs, who was executed by the emperor dowager because he would not sanction the anti-foreign movement, has lodged a complaint with the international government of Peking, charging Bishop Favler, who is now in France with his family, with the loss of money and valuables to an aggregate of 1,000,000 taels (about \$700,000) on the day after the seizure was raised.

The league of civilian looters of all nationalities has been disrupted by differences which have arisen over the division of the spoils and there now seems to be a chance for honest men, including the Chinese, to get their dues.

If only one-tenth of the charges of murder, assault and robbery against the foreigners are substantiated, as there is much reason to believe will be the case, Christianity will have cause to blush for shame. The family of Lu Sen states that the stolen property is now in the possession of Herbert L. Squiers, first secretary of the American legation, and is about to be shipped away.

Chinese Attack Germans

HONG KONG, Feb. 9.—A dispatch from Canton says four men who had been arrested for attacking Germans near Kunchuk had been executed.

The same dispatch announces the arrival of the new vicary of Canton. The native newspapers approve the appointment, stating that the new official belongs to the progressive party.

NAVAL NEED OF PHILIPPINES

Captain Wilde Thinks Hullo the Best Place for American Naval Station.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 9.—Captain George F. Wilde, formerly commander of the battleship Oregon in Asiatic waters, who has been detached from sea duty, is on his way to Washington. The Oregon is now in first-class condition and will probably start for this city about May 1. Captain Wilde in an interview said: "It is my personal opinion that the best place in the Philippines for the proposed naval station and dry dock, would be Hullo, on the island of Mindanao. There is a long projecting island immediately in front of Hullo and there are two passages, both of which are narrow and could be easily made absolutely impregnable. The naval base, however, has been chosen Subig bay, which is a typhoon-proof harbor with a fortified island nearly midway of the entrance. It is sixty miles from Manila by water and will be but forty miles by rail when the necessary road is built. There is no settlement there larger than a mere village.

HAYS AND OTHERS CONFER

Southern Pacific's President Has a Talk with the Wise Ones in New York City.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—President Charles M. Hays of the Southern Pacific, who reached New York last night, was in conference today with the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific interests.

President Ripley of the Atchafalaya railway, who was in California when the Union Pacific purchase of the Southern Pacific was announced, has also been called to New York and is expected here today. Upon his arrival it is expected that the Atchafalaya position, under the new disposition of the Southern Pacific, will be taken up with its own directors, and then with the Union Pacific interests, and a definite agreement as to their relations arrived at.

The Southern Pacific stock acquired by the Union Pacific, it was pointed out today, is not included among the collateral of the \$10,000,000 of Union Pacific debentures for \$10,000,000 announced yesterday, although that issue is made to provide funds for the acquisition of Southern Pacific shares.

It is stated that the amount of Southern Pacific stock secured by the Union Pacific is between \$70,000,000 and \$80,000,000 of the outstanding share capital, amounting to \$157,822,148.

Accidentally Shoots Himself

ASHLAND, Neb., Feb. 9.—(Special Telegram.)—William Sanders, aged about 18 years, son of Jacob A. Sanders, a farmer of Clear Creek precinct, started to lift a loaded shotgun into his wagon when the trigger caught, discharging the gun upward. The young man's little finger on the right hand was torn off. Part of the charge tore away his coat sleeve, the other part entering his body. The muscles of his right arm were reduced to a jelly and it is thought by Senator G. W. Meredith, the attending physician, that part of the shot penetrated the lungs. The arm may have to be amputated.

DIED

BROWN—J. J., February 9, 1902, aged 60 years. Buried from family residence, 222 Sherman avenue, Monday, February 11, at 2 o'clock p. m. Interment private.

CAN'T GET AT THE RECORDS

Impossible to Tell the Exact Loss of Property of Street Railway.

BOOKS AND PAPERS LOCKED IN VAULT

General Manager Smith Says the Figures Given by The Bee Are as Accurate as He Can State Them.

General Manager Smith of the street car company said yesterday that as yet they had been unable to get at any further facts in regard to the losses the company sustained by the fire of Friday night, nor any figures as to the insurance carried on the power house and the rolling stock which was destroyed with the building.

"All of our papers," he said, "are locked up in the vault which was on the second floor of the building. When we get in there we can figure up in a few minutes the amount of the insurance. As for the cars, we have an invoice book in the vault by which at a glance we can tell just what cars were in the building. On the second floor I know there were about twenty-five or thirty open cars. While there was in the building only one of the open cars, and one put into service last week, there were a number of others which were the same kind of cars and were received last fall. They are practically as good as the ones just received. In all, I suppose, there were about sixty cars in the barn, as stated this morning."

Service About Normal

"We have been able to place the service on the Farnam and Harney street lines in about its normal condition. The Dodge street line is a little short. We have not the cars to put on evenings and mornings on these lines, as has been our custom, and in that respect especially we are somewhat crippled. This will be for a few days only. There are five more cars coming from the factory and they will be here in about ten days, after which we will be in a position to resume the same service we maintained before the fire.

"All of our papers were locked up in the vault at the time of the fire and we have no fears but that they are in good condition. We built the vault ourselves, endeavoring to have one that would withstand any kind of a fire. The vault has four chambers in the walls, so we do not think it is possible that any harm has come to our books and other papers. An effort will be made to get into the vault Sunday or Monday, as soon as it cools sufficiently to permit of the work and we can get around to it."

The company's vault is located on the second floor of the burned building and to reach it it will be necessary to build a heavy scaffold. Meanwhile the officers are at work preparing temporary headquarters which will be established on the second floor of the Merchants' National bank at Thirtieth and Farnam streets. The entire floor happens to be vacant and will probably be taken by the company.

NO DAMAGE IN BASEMENT

Flood of Water so Heavy That Lower Floor of Car Barn Did Not Burn Through.

An examination of the ruins of the Twenty-third street car barn discloses the fact that there is practically no damage in the basement, as the firemen flooded the building so heavily that the lower floor was not burned through. Twenty cars, mostly old ones formerly used on the horse and cable lines, stored in the basement, are practically unharmed. The boiler room, which was the ravages of the flames and the boilers are still in good condition.

The safe in the lower office, containing Friday's receipts of the Farnam, Harney and Dodge lines, appears to be in good condition. The big safe, built up from the basement to the second floor, will be opened Sunday and it is expected that the books and papers will be found unharmed. Chief Redell kept three lines of hose playing upon the vault throughout the fire and this lessened the heat to such an extent that it is hardly probable the contents are damaged.

Two snowsweepers, one almost new, were among the rolling stock destroyed. The new machine blower, used in cleaning cars by compressed air, which was purchased last fall at a heavy price, was also burned. In speaking of the fire, Chief Redell said:

"I never thought that we would be able to stop the fire when and where we did and it seemed to me at one time that not a wall would be left standing. The flames swept through the building as though it were filled with gas, and had gained a great headway before we could get a line of hose laid in. The fire started in the most inaccessible portion of the building, the southwest corner, and it was fought from the outside. At one time all the companies were there and I must say the men did good work. It was a close call for the hospital, and at one time it seemed as if it would surely go, but when the fire looked bad in that direction a line of hose was placed on the roof and kept it contained until it was extinguished."

"Yes, we were quite fortunate in our small loss of hose, only two lengths being damaged. Through an oversight a line of No. 7 hose company, stationed at Thirtieth and Jackson streets, where extra strong hose is unnecessary, was connected with a steamer under a pressure of 160 pounds and of course a length burst. The Engine Company No. 1, which had four lines on the fire, lost two lengths and the east wall collapsed, but one was afterward recovered unharmed. There was no other damage to apparatus and there were no accidents."

PATIENTS ESCAPE INJURY

Fate Deals Kindly with Methodist Hospital Refugees and No Harm Follows.

No serious results were experienced by patients at the Methodist hospital Friday night from the fire next door at the street car barn. Inquiry Saturday revealed that all of the patients who were removed from the hospital were returned without harm.

The two patients for whom the nurses had the greatest anxiety were the typhoid—Mrs. J. M. Edwards of Lawrence and A. C. Woolley of Papillion—but their condition was excellent Saturday and their temperature was normal. All of the patients but one little boy had gone to sleep by the hospital as soon as the danger was over, and by Saturday morning affairs were straightened around to their regular conditions.

PRESIDENT MURPHY TALKS

Can Not Give Accurate Statement of Loss Until Vault is Opened.

"It is impossible to make anything like an accurate estimate of our loss by Friday night's fire further than that published in Saturday morning's 'Bee,' said President Murphy of the street railway company. "All of the insurance papers are locked up in the vault, which, owing to the high degree of heat during the fire, cannot in all probability be opened before Monday."

YOU NEED

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS. A stimulant occasionally. The digestive organs, the liver, the kidneys and bowels lose their effectiveness at times and need help. At such times a stimulating, cleansing and regulating medicine is of priceless value because serious diseases spring from neglected disorders in these organs. An admirable stimulant and system regulator will be found in PRICKLY ASH BITTERS. The uniform success of this remedy in correcting disturbance in the system is due to its four-fold cleansing and regulating effect. It is in the first place a kidney remedy of superior merit. Second, it is a successful liver tonic. Third, it tones up and strengthens the digestive process in the stomach. Lastly, it purifies and regulates the bowels. By removing obstructions and impurities in the blood, liver and bowels and strengthening the digestion, the whole internal organism is improved, because there is unimpeded action in all the organs that assist in maintaining health and strength. As a result of this condition the MAN becomes himself again, he feels at once a brightening up in body and brain, renewed energy, snip, vim and activity. PERMANENTLY CURES A CONSTIPATED HABIT. As a household remedy to relieve indigestion, sour stomach, bad breath, belching, flatulence, bloating after eating, and for keeping the system in perfect order it is invaluable. Wards off sickness, cures kidney diseases, nervous weakness, disorders in the urine, bladder trouble, headaches, heartburn, dizziness.

Midwinter in CALIFORNIA \$25 to California. Not in years have the rates to California been as low as on February 12, 19 and 26, March 5, 12, 19 and 26, April 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, when the Burlington will sell one-way tickets to San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Jose, Sacramento and dozens of other points in the state at \$25—about half ordinary rate. Thru' tourist cars, \$5 for a berth. Tickets, time-tables and information at 1502 Farnam St. and at the Burlington Station. J. FRANCIS, General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

Burlington Route. Illustration of a train and passengers.

HOLD ONTO YOUR CASH

If a Man Holds You Up and Cries "Counterfeit" Keep Your Coin in Your Pocket and Call "Police."

The smooth man who has been posing as a government secret officer and using that disguise while taking many hard-earned dollars, under the pretense that they were counterfeit, from the pockets of country visitors to Omaha, will greatly oblige the police department and somewhat relieve the chagrin of his victims if he will make himself known. They have been looking for the "government detective" many days, and are still looking, but with small prospect of finding him, as his victims were so frightened that they could not give an accurate description.

Store at Rhodes

MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—The general merchandise store of Louis Roden, at Rhodes, Ia., two and a half miles southeast of here, was destroyed by fire at 9 o'clock this morning. The upper story was used for living rooms by Mr. Roden. The entire contents of the building were destroyed, with the exception of the postoffice fixtures and the mail.

The building, which was a two-story frame structure, was owned by C. H. Deur of this city. Insurance, \$750.

Show Window at Hastings

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 9.—(Special Telegram.)—While an electrician was working in the large show window in J. H. Spott's store today a blaze from the workman's gasoline stove ignited the tissue paper decorations of the window and in a few seconds the whole thing was ablaze. The flames were finally extinguished, but not

before damage to the value of \$100 was done. The loss was covered by insurance.

ARMSTRONG CORK FACTORY IS DESTROYED

Fifteen Hundred Employees Taken from Burning Building—Loss Three Quarters of a Million.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 9.—The five-story brick building at Twenty-third street and Allegheny Valley railroad, occupied by the Armstrong Bros. cork factory, was destroyed by fire today, together with the foundry and machine shops of the Totten-Hogg Iron and Steel company on Twenty-fourth street, adjoining the Armstrongs. The loss will reach almost \$750,000, with insurance covering the amount fully. The loss of the Armstrong company is \$700,000.

The conflagration was one of the most spectacular seen in Pittsburgh for a long time. The flames from the main building of the Armstrong factory, where the fire originated, spread with astonishing rapidity, and five alarms were sounded in quick succession, calling all the engines in the lower city to the scene. Great excitement prevailed because the employees of the cork factory, numbering 1,500, were all at work and the great majority of the girls and boys in the building would not be able to escape. Fortunately the several fire escapes and the firemen's ladder provided ample means for the safety of all.

In spite of the firemen's good work the flames jumped across the street and ate their way into the Totten & Hogg foundry and laid waste to the foundry and machine shop before they could be checked, causing \$50,000 damage to this plant.

The Armstrong cork factory was the largest plant of the kind in the country and the company has offices in many of the principal cities. All of the valuable machinery was destroyed, but the books and papers in the offices were saved.

consented and started down the street with the "com" man, leaving his brother on the street corner. After they had traveled a devious course of many blocks the man stopped under an electric light in a quiet part of the city and accused Buckmaster of having counterfeit money in his possession. The young man from Iowa presented the institution and to prove its falsity he produced \$28 in good coin. The "government detective" looked over the money and made the customary excuse that the light was too poor to determine its character and that they must go on to the station. A few minutes later he played a clever ruse on Buckmaster and left him waiting on a corner till he got tired and told a policeman all his troubles.

IOWA WILL GET IN NEXT TIME

Miners and Operators Settle That and the Scale Question Before Adjourning Conference.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 9.—The joint conference of miners and operators was concluded here today, having readopted the scale in force the past year and having decided to meet in Indianapolis for the next conference in January, 1902. Both miners and operators expressed themselves as well pleased with the results accomplished. The scale was signed this afternoon by the officers of the miners' organization.

HARRISON REFUSES TO SIGN

Ex-President Favors Monument to His Grandfather's Victory, but Will Not Ask for Its Erection.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 9.—Ex-President Harrison today declined to sign the petition asking congress to appropriate \$50,000 to erect a monument on Tippecanoe battlefield, the scene of William Henry Harrison's victory November 7, 1811. General Harrison said the movement was commendable and patriotic, but he had uniformly declined to sign all petitions to congress and in this case he felt that it would be indelicate for him to do so.

Fatal delays are caused by experimenting with cough and cold cures. Foley's Honey and Tar will prevent a cold from resulting in pneumonia. Myers-Dillon Drug Co. Omaha; Dillon's Drug store, South Omaha.