## **EDWARD PRAISES AMERICANS**

King Extols Hospitality of Hostesses from This Side Water.

COMMENDS EXAMPLE TO ENGLISH

Titled Dames of Empire Inclined to Shirk Duty and Social Responsibility-Economy Their Watchword.

LONDON, Feb. 1,-(Special.)-It was commonly sald last summer that it was King Edward and the Americans who kept the London season going; in short, if it had not been for the Yankees we would have find no season at all. His majesty has been as angry as he can be when he likes with some of his most important British subjects for the manner in which they have backed out of doing any hospitalities on a large scale for several seasons past. He gave the duchess of Portland a piece of his mind because she does nothing in the role of a London bostess. This lady hates society and lives the simple life, drinks only sour milk and exists on patent "foods." This summer, however, she will he forced into the social arena, as she has a young daughter to present who has already made her debut at the great ball for the king and queen of Spain at Welbeck Abbey.

When discussing with the duchess her duty toward society the king said "Just see what Americans do to keep things lively during the season. Look at the Whitelaw Reids, the Astors, Mrs. Potter Palmer, the Drexeis and the Beattys Why, were it not for them there would practically be no season worth counting. Great titles and positions involve social obligations and it is wrong to shirk them."

Young Mrs. Astor is to do a great deal pere likes to feel that the Astor mansion in Carlton House Terrace is still his own and will only allow his daughter, Mrs. Spencer Clay, to act as hostess there. Great efforts will be made by young Astor's wife to marry her sister brilliantly. She has expressed herself determined to

Mrs. Palmer Not Exclusive.

Mrs. Potter Palmer will make another great bid for popularity-and the presence of royalties at her parties next season. The summit of her social ambition is to entertain the king, but she has not yet been able to catch him. Many of her own countrywomen here are very jealous of Mrs. Potter Palmer. This is one of the reasons why she has not made all the headway with society that she should have done Again she is not as exclusive as she might be.

The Whitelaw Reids intend to make things livelier than ever at the American embassy. There is talk of a great deal of dancing. Jean Reid is one of the best dancers in the American set and the men don't dare to loaf or make pillars of themselves as wall supports at the embassy

All eyes will be centered on Warwick House, which will be out of the hands of the decorators in good time for the fray The wildest stories are going about in society as to what Miss Dodge means to do. Those who know her best say she will stagger the town.

As everyone knows, Mrs. Kirkpatcick de Closeburn is a leader of the American colony in Paris. Her parties are unique and consequently famous. It is a matter of sheer delight to us to learn that she is likely to pitch ber tent in Mayfair for asure of visiting Mrs. Kirk- less derided. Algernon Ashton in fact, has patrick de Closeburn on the other side of been called "England's greatest bore." He the channel of the rare fun to be found has been the butt of humorists, of the at her gatherings. It appears she makes press, and, unquestionably, has added much a point of inviting the most amusing and to the gulty of the nation quaint creatures she can find from all sorts and conditions. Isn't it a lovely idea? Algernon Ashton. Here he is best known Daring does not qualify it one little bit, as the man who writes letters to the No party can be dull with freaks.

Entertainer of Frenks.

A. few years ago a renowned garden party used to take place annually in London in July. Every one who had the luck to be asked trooped to it and many who were not. It used to be called the zoological garden party, and for sheer funthere was nothing to touch it the whole

In this case the hostess, now alas, dead, did not know she was entertaining freaks, but Mrs. Kirkpatrick de Closeburn is a woman with a big sense of bumor and deliberately hunts for them. She will travel from one end of Paris to the other to get hold of a good specimen. In London she should find a great field for the gratification of her hobby and there is no doubt whatever her salon here will be a grand success. London society is satisfied with lavish entertainment. What it really wants is something novel to arouse its interest. The "freak party" bids well to be the party of the nearest future. This American hostess will unquestionably find many imita-

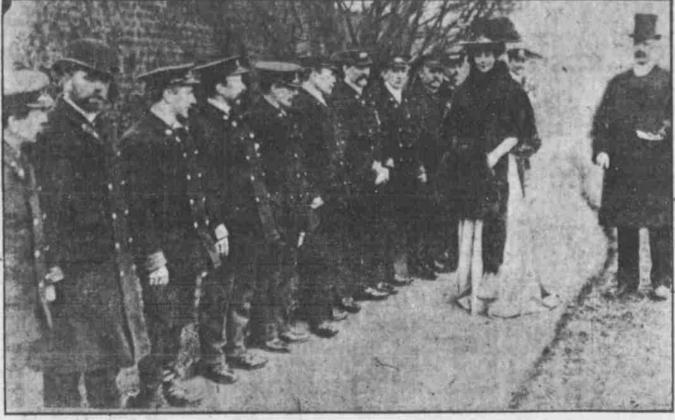
Lady Paget is making up for her long absence from social doings through illness. Just now she is more to the fore than she has ever been. One of the most successful parties of the winter season was her "fancy head" show the other night, which was expressly organized for the Russian ambassador. An artist came from Paris to arrange the hostess's head. Some of the guests knowing he was coming took the opportunity to engage his services. He is extraordinarily successful at this kind of thing and charges about \$35 for a design and fixing it up on the individual. The great thing to be acquired in connection with "fancy heads" is quaintness, if not positive ugliness, and above all, originality. Men, of course, wear "fancy heads" as well as women, There is quite a fortune in store for a clever artist who can "do" heads in London, as this fad for parties is to be one of the great notions during this year.

Mrs. Ralph Paget III. By the way, talking of Lady Paget reminds me that her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Paget, is very sick of Bangkok and is pining to come back to England. This is somewhat rough on her husband, who likes his post there. He is now seeking something else to do in England, if possible. As his American mother-in-law has such great influence in high places there is likely to be little difficulty in providing him with a fresh appointment, though he is bound to stay on at Bangkok until the spring. when he brings his wife home,

Miss Padelford, who will have changed her name to that of the Hon. Mrs. Robert Grosvenor by the time this reaches you, considers she has been very badly treated by her own country women, three of whom had promised to be of the bevy of girls, mostly American, who will be attending her at the altar. Jean Reid was to have been one, but a week or two ago she wrote explaining that she could not get father was Charles Ashton, the noted tenor. back in time for the wedding. Margaretta The present generation knows nothing of Drexel also gave her word of honor to him, for he died during the American civil stand by the bride on the momentous oc- war. He sang in New York, making his casion and so did Miss Carter. The latter debut at the old Academy of Music a two have also expressed their inability to couple of years before Patti appeared. It see Miss Padelford married. This meant was in New York that one of Algernon's that at the last moment the bride-to-be had gisters. Florence, was born. She is now to go hunting up fresh girls to set in the the wife of Prof. Hans Wolfgang of Dres-

A don't know what your smart weddings sister, Diana, made her appearance as a more absolutely superfluous,

## Duchess of Marlborough Aids in Philanthropic Work



DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH REVIEWING MEMBERS OF A LONDON TRAMWAY MEN'S BROTHERHOOD.

LONDON. Feb. 1.—(Special.)—In this | society of tramway (or street car) men. The | After the ceremony I managed to get country there is no better evidence of "Tramway Brotherhood," as it is called, word with the duchess, who told me that personal popularity than frequent invita- which exists in connection with St. Mark's she is not going to Biarritz as she origintions to declare various new institutions church, in the Kennington district of Lon- ally had planned. Sunderland house, her for her sister. She will have to take a "open." And after the members of the don, recently was provided with a new London residence, is being redecorated town house on her own account, as Astor royal family, there probably is no person. Assembly hall by the vicar of the diocese, throughout, and while this work is in proin England who is asked to perform this Dr. Darlington, and it was this hall which gress, a matter of two months or more, the days in an effort to cause the removal from service oftener than the American duchess the duchess of Mariborough opened on duchess will reside at Lord Wimborne's office of Lieutenant Governor Dunsmuir. Since the duchess got back from America, First, however, her grace inspected the rented, its noble owner being abroad. With the provincial legislature and Monday will plate." One pair of rats, he said, under the platform and made a little speech. her numerous philanthropic enterprises, not members of the brotherhood, all of whom her, the duchess will have her boys, the ask the house, now sitting at Victoria, to to mention country house hunging, and ar- were their uniforms, and later she made Marquis of Blandford and Lord Ivor rangements in connection with the edu- them a little speech in which she thanked Spencer Churchill, but in the spring the Victoria Colonist, the oldest newspaper in cation of her two boys, have kept her un- them for the "honor" they had done her, latter are to be sent to a preparatory British Columbia, formerly owned by Duns amonly busy, but she found time this and expressed great pleasure in being with school near Brighton. The duchess declared

ceremony-this time at the invitation of a lusty cheers for the American peeress.

frocks. This is a foregone conclusion,

The reception will be a sumptuous affair

ard's house in Portman square. The flow-

ers alone will cost \$5,000, most of them

oming by special train from the continent

GREATEST BORE OF ENGLAND

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Algernon Ashton of Merry

England.

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papers. To do this is part of the birthright

of every true Englishman. Not so many

years ago it was the direst threat one could

make to the exorbitant cabman, the im-

pertinent waiter or 'bus conductor or to

he railway official when one's train was

late, that one would write and complain

Mr. Ashton began with the Times in 1893.

casant sure to see one's name in print."

for in four years he had 525 letters printed

in the leading papers of the country. These

letters gave him the name of "Correcto

of the Press," for the writer called atter

tion to mistakes in the various editorials

and other serious articles published or else

called public attention to errors of inscrip

tions on famous tombs and monuments.

Listening at last to the entreaties of his

friends, particularly Sir Edward Elgar,

England's foremost musician. Algernon

Ambiton has renounced his hobby of letter

writing and in an impassioned declaration.

just published by 105 papers throughout the

country, he has announced his final retire-

ment. Mr. Ashton has retired, like a

famous prima donna, twice before. Once

he remained in retirement for a year, the

second time for two years. Now it is for

all time. I am assured of this fact; first,

ALGERNON ASHTON.

den. In the United States also another

manner when he informed me of it.

He agreed with the poet who wrote "'ill

to the Times.

LADY MARY.

Monday, using a specially made silver key, house at Rochampton, which she has The liberals have joined the socialists in week to perform yet another "opening" them. They responded by giving three that her recent visit to the United States had done her a world of good.

are no joke. Indeed, I have known brides of the large crop of child wonders. Diana FISHING INDUSTRY RUINED so utterly worn out with the preparations married Louis Staab of New York and for their nuptials as to look positively ten some years ago died and was buried in that

years older than they were when the great city. day came round. A smart wedding is Nearly a quarter of a century ago the really one of the greatest sources of worry Royal College of Music of England chose Algernon Ashton as its professor of the to all concerned. Bridesmaids invariably cause much trouble over the selection of planoforte. He has held the same post ever since. His musical compositions during that when it is remembered from ten to twelve time consist of 145 volumes and 1,100 single young women have all to agree about pieces. Of these nearly 300 are songs, the Sinn Fein Stamp Has Remarkable the color of a sash or the shape of a words of which were supplied by his mother. There are sonatas and pieces for half a dozen different instruments. Ashton's works are very popular in Gerand is taking place at Mrs. Ernest Cunmany and have also a vogue in the United States, yet strange to say England will have nothing to do with them.

> "SOFTEST SNAP" IN ENGLAND Lord Great Chamberlain Receives \$22,500 Yearly for Doing

Nothing at All. LONDON, Feb. 1 .- (Special.)-When Parllament reacsembled, the marquis of Choiondeley emerged from the comparative



MARQUIS OF CHOLMONDELEY.

f \$22,500 a year. For the marquis of Cholmondeley is the present lord great cham berlain of England, and when the king starts the legislative mills grinding, the lord great chamberlain steps into the limehight as the monarch's master of ceremon ics. Nobody is admitted to the show was does not present a ticket bearing his signature. When it is over he has practically nothing to do until the time comes round to summen Parliament to business again It is only on those rare occasions when there is a ceronation that the lord great shansberlain has any other work to de Then he becomes the most dignified, gorgeous and glorified of all the titled flunkeys that dance attendance on the sovereign. On the coronation day it is his high privthege to earry to the king his state ratment But for this beats allowed extra compensa-He is entitled to claim the royal nightgown and nightcap, the bedstead and all the rest of the furniture of his majesty's bedchamber. It is one of his exalted heredwater before and after the coronation banquet. For performing this arduous duty he is allowed to retain the basin and towels as his perquisites, and custom prescribes that the basin should be a gold yessel worth something like \$1,000. He isn't paricular about the towels, but he always because he has made public declaration welks off with the basin. Instead of carton eath, and, secondly, because of his ing off the king's bedroom furniture, however, he compounds his claim for a tip of Algernon was the twelfth child and the \$1.000. In addition to this the king out of youngest of a remarkable family. His. his own purse has to provide the lord great mother was Diana Valentina West, a poet, chamberlain with forty ells (fifty yards) who wrote both in German and English. of crimson velvet for his coronation robe. and translated some 400 German poems. His Of course it doesn't take anything like that quantity of stuff to make the garment, but precedent demands it, and prece dent must be obeyed in such matters or

something-awful might happen. There are many functionaries in the United Kingdom who have what in Amer- occupants; but they resisted so vigorous! ica are called "soft snaps," but none of them gets such big pay and does so little for it as the lord great chamberlain. It is impossible to conceive of a billet that is and Anderson was finally located in the

Travelers Permitted to Enter Three-Mile Limit All Injure Nets.

Sale and Much Revenue Results-Irish Tramp Has

Gold.

DUBLIN, Feb. 1 .- (Special.)-Northern Ireland's entire fishing industry has been destroyed by a word, by the judicial committee of the privy council, sitting in Dublin, and has been handed over lock. stock and harrel to the owners of the English and Norwegian steam trawlers.

The hardy fishermen of the Antrim. Derry and Donegal coasts used to make a decent living by fishing comparatively near the shore in their rude corraghs, but some obscurity of a nobleman who possesses no years ago the trawlers made their appearmany the name of Ashton is honored as intrinsic claims to eminenece to perform ance. These are great steam vessels with the season of this year. Long have we that of a brilliant musical composer; in some of the stunts for which he draws from an immense sweep of nets and they gathered been hearing from our friends who have England, his own country, it is more or the public treasury the magnificent salary ered in not only all the fish in the waters which they invaded, but the lines and nets of the shore fishermen as well. Repeated mplaints by the fishermen caused the Fisheries board to make an investigation and after exhaustive inquiries the inspectors framed a set of rules excluding the trawlers, nearly all of which come from Liverpool and other British ports-although some of them sail under the Norwegian flag-from fishing within the three-mile limit. The owners of the trawlers appealed and a few days ago the judicial committee of the privy council overruled the regulations of the Fisheries board and threw open the northern waters to all comers. With cruel irony one of the members of the committee told a fisherman who was giving evidence and who said that all his gear had been swept away by a trawler, that if such a thing happened again he could telegraph to the admiralty in London to send a cruiser to drive the trawler away. Many Stamps Sold.

Last week I announced the issue of a Sinn Fein stamp, the proceeds of the sale of which are to be devoted to the establishment of a Sinn Feln daily newspaper. I am informed that the idea has caught on like wildfire all over Ireland and that during the first week more than 50,000 stamps were sold and that more would have been sold had not the supply run short. The idea has been endorsed by many leaders of Irish public opinion and Sir Thomas Esmonde has announced that any one who writes to him and wishes to get a reply must put a Sinn Fein stamp on the envelope as well as an English one incidentally Sinn Fein, the weekly organ of the movement, referred recently to the really deplorable condition of the Irish national press. Instead of giving news of ireland and of interest to Irish people, the olumns of the Irish newspapers are filled with reports of English divorce cases, English scandals, English criminal trials and other matter which is not only uninteresting, but harmful. Column after column is devoted to chronicling the doings of the English court and of members of the English aristocracy, many of whom have never set foot in Ireland in their lives, and who can be of no possible interest to Irish people. What is left is filled with colorless political disquisitions "lifted" from the

English newspapers of the day before. The "Splendid" Tramps. The "splendid tramp" has turned up in the shape of Patrick Halloran at the Middieton workhouse. Halloran marched into the workhouse, wheeling an old wheel barrow, and demanded lodging. He was ecommodated, and after he had been h the house for several days he was per suaded to change his clothing. It was then discovered that sewed in the lining of his various and numerous garments h itary privileges, too, to serve the king with had gold sovereigns and half sovereigns water before and after the coronation ban- to the value of more than \$1.00. He was reported to the guardians, who at first wanted to turn him out, but he pleaded that if he were to go out he might be robbed, and the soft hearted guardians deided to let him stay, while they gave his ase further consideration. They directed hat the money be placed in a bank for him and he was taken back to the workhouse where he declares he is quite comfortable and intends to remain

Another good tramp story comes from Dungannon. William Anderson presented timself at the workhouse after midnight, and as it was so late he was refused admittance. He started on a tour of exploration round the outhouses, and finally decided that the roomy pigsty offered the most comfortable lodging for the night Accordingly, he evicted the fourteen lawfuand loudly that the master was roused ansame out to see what was the matter. He companied by several attendants. pigety, but he refused to come out and WAR TO DEATH AGAINST RAT

kept the party at buy with a fusilinde o

stones. Finally, however, one of the be

siegers crept in under cover of darkness

and Anderson was captured and turned

over to the police. The pext day the mag-

istrate accommodated him with free lodg

Everyone knows that Ireland was a cen-

ter of learning in the dark ages, but it is

not generally known that even today the

lassic tradition is preserved in the mos

unexpected places in the island. At a re-

cent meeting of the classical association is

Dublin, Dr. Butcher, member of Parlia-

ment, said that in the days of Queen Eliz

abeth to declare that a scholar spoke Greek

was equivalent to saying that he was Irish,

and then he made the astonishing an

land the knowledge of Latin and Greek

of which spoke classic Latin among them-

selves, when they did not wish other per-

From Latin to wild beasts is a far cry.

thority of an eminent naturalist that Ire-

tradition, but that it has afforded a sanctu-

ary for several species of wild beasts which

Europe. The Arctic fox has been seen in

Connemara, and in the wilds of Connaught

can still be found occasionally. The theory

is, of course, that these beasts were driven

westward by the march of cultivation and

town building, and that they have now

sought sanctuary on the shores of the

fight for life.

Atlantic, where they must make their last

CANUCKS RISE UP IN ARMS

Lieutenant Governor Dunsmuir Has

Roused Ire of People of Brit-

ich Columbia.

mult, is demanding that the lieutenant

Only Reason for Military

Activity.

line from Saghalien to Formosa.

governor step down.

do them no good.

parations directed.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 1.-Important steps will be taken within the next few

F. X. CULLEN.

uncement that in certain parts of Ire-

Learned Scientists Start Society for This End in London.

CHIEF SOURCE OF THE PLAGUE

Their Fleas Really Do All Mischief, but to Stop the Flean Bats Must Be Extermi-

promounced sentence of death against rats. as a precious heritage from father to son. mankind so formidable that nothing short himself knew of families of peasants of their complete extermination can saton the shores of Dingle bay, the members infy the requirements of human progress. Their creation, it seems, was a mistake. Their continued survival has only multisons to understand what they were talking plied the proof of their unfitness for existence in the modern world. They have got to go-every last one of them. And as possible-recruited by such specimens but it has recently been stated on the authe Society for the Extermination of Vermin has been duly formed, organized, conland has not only preserved the classic stituted and all the rest of it, to rid these islands of them. Doubtless the cables have already flashed have been exterminated in other parts of

to America the bald story of the formation of the society and its full purpose. It was at the Hotel Metropole the other it is alleged individual African wild cats night, while pleasure-loving Londoners. unwitting of the dire disease that threatened them from the myriads of rats in the sewers beneath their feet, were flocking to the theaters and music halls, that the depronounced. Sir James Crichton Browne, an eminent physician who has little faith in the efficacy of drugs, but great faith in the value of preventive measures, presided. Enthusiastic anti-ratters cheered seminator of plagues and all their unholy petition the Dominion to remove him. The

Rat Responsible for Plague.

The rat, he told his audience, had been In a speech in the house, Representative proven to be mainly responsible for the Hawthornthwaite (socialist) declared that propagation of the plague in India and if the legislature of the Dominion govern- had there caused the death of 5,250,000 peoment does not exclude the Orientals, ple since 1896. The rat was the great reslaborers will arm themselves as the Japa- ervoir of diseases, and the flea was the ness have done at Vancouver, and that a channel for its carriage, and if plague was great conflict may be expected. Haw- to be got rid of they must fill up the resthernthwaite new has a bill drafted provid- ervoir-stamp out the rat.

ing that no mill, mine or factory in the Minister of War Declares This is TOKIO, Feb. 1.-At a sectional committee Minister of War Terauchi replied, saying he had spread the disease (rodentiosis) to pretty large order. that they were not directed against any all the neighboring families, and pressingle nation, but against eventualities on ently they became obsessed with the crav- If you have anthing to trade advertise the Pacific, where Japan has a long coast ing for frish air, and out they came gasp- it in the For Exchange Columns of The ing-to die the dreadful death. It was war | Bee Want Ad Pages.

-war without mercy and no quarter-that Sir James wanted waged against the rat. Cherefore he would not depend on the leadly virus alone. Cats, terriers, ferrets, traps-anything and everything that would reduce their numbers-should be ruthlessly employed against them. As a motto for the society he suggested this quotation from "Hamlet:" "How, now .. A rat? Dead, for a ducat ...

London a Rat Center,

One enthusiastic apti-ratter declared that London was the greatest rat center in the world. He said there were 6,000,000 of them in the city. Just how he had managed to take a census of them he did not explain, but nobody ventured to dispute his figures. LONDON, Feb. 1 .- (Special.) - Science has nor his assertion that the existence of such a vast army of rate constituted a diswas handed down in many peasant families. They have been declared a menace to grace to the metropolis of the world which should bring the blush of shame to every public-spirited citizen who lived in it. But nobody blushed.

Commissioner Nicell of the Salvation Army put in a good word for the cut. The Army, he mid, had started two cat farms in India and were breeding cats as rapidly of stray pussies as they could import from England. Given time and chance thought the Salvation Army cats, by killing off the rais, would accomplish a great deal in combatting the plague in India.

"Breeding cats to get rid of rats is just time and money wasted," sniffed a skeptic "I reckon we've got two or three hundred thousand cats in London and we've just been told we have 6,000,000 rats here, too, If that don't prove you can't fight rate with cats I don't know anything about logic. Cats ain't going to do any better in cree of extermination against the rats was India than they do in London. I'm for giving 'em the French poison, and I don't care how much it hurts 'em.'

One Protest Against Cruelty. Sir Lander Brunton, another fearned phy-

sician whose specialty is the digestive orhis periods as he indicted the rat at the gams, formally moved the resolution by bar of civilization! He described the fa- which the National Society of Externmamiliar rodent as an awful thing, willer and tion of Vermin was ushered into existence. more poisonous than the serpent-the dis-IIt was carried with only one dissentient vote. That came from a woman in redterrors-"a ghoulish garbarger whose fe- red hat, red cloak and red cheeks-and the cundity was something terrible to contem- courage of her convictions. She mounted favorable conditions, would produce soo, She protested against the fiendish cruelly each one of which might become a vehicle involved in the killing of rats by the of the most awful scourge that could af- Dansyz virus. She didn't pretend to know much about science, but she would back the Creator against all the learned scientists present. The Creator never made a mistake and when He created rats He had created them for some wise purpose. What it was the scientists might find out to their cost if ever they succeeded in killing off all the rats. Besides, she urged, according to the scientists themselves the rats were not responsible for the spread of the plague. It was the fleas and it was wrong to visit the sins of the fleas upon Sir James called upon the assemblage to the rats. Science should devise some means provinces shall hire an Oriental unless adopt the role of the modern Pied Piper. of killing the fleas without killing the rats. they pass an educational test similar to He advised all carnest rat-exterminators. One movement always begets another, JUDICIAL DECISION AT FAULT that provided in the Natal act; so that in to avail themselves of the discovery of and in due time, no doubt, there will be any event the mission to the province would Dr. Dansyz. This distinguished Frenchman formed a rat protection association. Meanhad evolved a deadly virus, harmless to while the Rat Exterminating league holds other animals, which when spread on bread the field with Bir Lauder Brunton as JAPS JUST KEEPING READY and butter or toasted cheese forms a president and Lord Avebury, better known dainty dish for the rapscallion rodent. But as Sir John Lubbock, the judge, philosoafter he had partaken of it it made him pher and friend of the ani, as treasurer. ill-very ill indeed. And after a certain When enough money has been raised to time it afflicted him with a feverish de- make a fair start operations will be begun sire for fresh air and open spaces. Then on a large scale in London By that time neeting of the diet today. M. Oishi asked the poor rat crawled forth from his hole probably some similar association will be against whom were Japan's military pre- to die with his tail in knots and his little formed to wage war on rats in America. pink eyes abuige with agony. Meanwhile But the extermination of the rat is a

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