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King Edward Has Daily Tete-a-Tete with the American Born Duchess-Smart Set on Gul Vive.

LONDON, April 4-If any evidence were It is an understood thing that King Ed- you must not take your friends to the resward shall make no engagements that will taurant. interfere with his daily afternoon teas with Consuelo, Dutchess of Manchester, This American favorite of the English ruler always carries about with her for his consumption a special brand of China tea have been seen dining even at the most which cames to her direct from the gardens strictly forbidden by his physician to Americans who introduced us to the charm touch either India or Ceylon teas, and as of the restaurant dinners. Where you lead he is very fond of the British national we usually fellow. Now, however, the appreciates the tactful provision of his

favorite hostess. a few more American women to the king. an ordinary cook at home, as they nearly It is one of this woman's prerogatives that always dined out, and inevitably took their she shall pass upon every American woman | guests to the Savoy or the Rits, now find some time ago and he has been delighted | those to be had at the swagger restaurants. with the way it has worked as it saves The problem, I can tell you, is a grave him a whole lot of trouble and annoyance. one and, as I write, is causing many women

Mrs. Baring High in Favor. is now high in the royal favor. There is a all, prove a blessing in disguise. I know story affoat that her dinner to King Ed- at the present of half a dozen patrician her own initiative, but at the suggestion two peers, who are, so to speak, taking the French watering place in time to tickle | are taking up the cult of the frying panthe palate of the royal guest.

been in the habit of accompanying him a palatial eating house for the smart set about on his strolls and calls is now in dis- only, ostracising actresses and all who grace and spends his days as well as his could not show a pedigree. Can you nights in his kennel. The cause of all this imagine such a deadly, prosaic state of afis a ferocious and fatal attack the dog fairs? Think of parties made up of gentlemade upon one of Consuelo's pet Persian kittens, of which she is very fond. It hap- dull and preposterous-so respectable? I pened during one of the daily calls of the always sympathize with the witty Ameriking at the villa de Miragol, which the can woman who exclaimed, "You may call American-born duchess has taken for the me anything but respectable." season. The terrier is extremely jealous of his master's attentions to any other animal. Knowing this the king thought to RULER OF THE KING'S NAVY tease him by fondling one of his guest's kittens. Finally, when the king grew tired of it and deposited the kitten on the floor, his terrier, "Jack," rushed at it and killed it with one savage bite. The king gave him the soundest kind of a thrashing and relegated him to his kennel for an indefinite period.

Mrs. Smith Takes Mansion. popular that enlivened the London season. The ballroom is a magnificent affair, decorated in Louis XV style. At one end is a gallery for the orchestra. It is one of the few private ballrooms in London, the floor of which is hung on chains.

Old Wilson made his pile out of the steamship line which bears his name. Although he was born in Yorkshire, where they are as "careful" of their money as in Scotland, he spent it royally, as anyone can see who visits the mansion in Grosvenor Square, which is now the property of the present peer.

It will be remembered that the Miss Wilsen who is now Mrs. Guy Fairfax was once engaged to the present duke of Manchester, who subsequently married Miss Zimmerman of Cincinnati. Mr. Wilson discovered the extent of the duke's debts and set up an awful howl. "No, thank you," he said, "he won't suit me or my daughter. He had better get an American heiress to pay his creditors. I have no desire for the honor." Then and there he made his daughter break with his grace.

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DOCTORS MISTAKES

Are said often to be buried six feet under ground. But many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous prostration, another with pain here and there, and in this way they present alike to themselves and their easy-going or overbusy doctor, separate diseases, for which he, assuming them to be such, prescribes his pills and potions. In reality, they are all only symptoms caused by some uterine disease. The Shesician, knorant of the cause of suffering, kneps up his treatment until large bills are mode. The suffering patient gets no better in Freaco, the wrong treatment, but probably worse. A proper medicine like Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, directed to the cause would have entirging tennoved the disease, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and instituting comfort instead of prolonged misery. It has been well said, that "a disease known is half cured."

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DELICACIES FOR THE KING ruby. When she wears it she has to cut the third finger out of her glove. Frankly vulgar. It is nearly as bad as Mrs. Ogden Goelet's diamond buckles on walking shoes, which so thoroughly anneyed the duke of Special Train Brings Them to Mrs. Ruxburghe. But nevertheless we are just

dying to see that ring. The restaurant dinner is no lenger considered "smart." Instead it is now "the thing" to entertain your friends in your own house. If you do not possess a home and live at an hotel then you must have a private room for your dinner parties. Of course such an affair is not apt to be very lively. Truly, I know of no more dull party than that which takes place in a private sitting room of a hotel. There is a nameneeded of the ascendancy of American less something about the whole thing which women in the king's immediate circle it is depressing in the extreme. But the flat could be found ready to hand at Biarrits. has gone forth. If you mean to be chic

One of the reasons why these hitherto very popular methods of dispensing hospitallty have become bourgeols is that of late some outrageously common people exclusive places like Claridge's and the in which it is grown. The king himself is Ritz. You know, of course, it was you beverage you may be sure that he highly tables are turned and you must follow us. Chef Problem Big One.

The change has meant a great boom in The duchess, by the way, has introduced chefs. People who were satisfied with before she is admitted to the royal friend- it essential to hunt for a competent chef The king made this arrangement who can turn out dishes as recherche as very bad hours of financial figuring. Per-Mrs. Harold Baring, who was passed in haps the new fashion will bring about a this way by Consuelo about two years ago, revolution in things domestic and, after ward the other night was not arranged of young women, including the daughters of of the king himself. It came quite as a the bull by the horns. In other words, surprise to this smart American hostess they have joined a swagger cookery school and the Biarritz market was found un- to be initiated into the mysteries of perequal to the task of supplying the delic- fect French cooking. By becoming thoracies beloved by the king. Hurry calls oughly equipped in the culinary art they were sent to London and by special service | hope to be quite independent of the chef. such incidentals as asparagus at \$5 a. The most fantastic aprons are designed for bundle and strawberries at \$7.50 a pound, these amateur cooks. Indeed, so fetching or about 50 cents a berry, were brought to are they, that it is no wonder so many It has been suggested in some quarters The king's favorite terrier, which has that some one with originality should found women only. Can you realize anything so

> First Lord of the Admiralty Has Hard Task and Good Salary.

LADY MARY.

LONDON, April 4 - (Special.) - Lord Tweedmouth, the cabinet minister who so recently "put his foot into it," figuratively society hostesses from New York, ran-sacked all London she could not find a finer house in which to entertain than Lord Nurburnholme's mansion in Grosvenor Square, which she has taken. It has been in the Wilson family, to which its noble owner belongs, for years, and from it say. speaking, through his private correspondowner belongs, for years, and from it sev- naval expenditure" enthusiasts, the first eral of the daughters, which include Lady lord of the Admiralty resides in a veritable Chesterfield, Countess Cowley and Mrs. hornet's nest. The position, however, carries Chaplin, were married. The Wilson girls with it a substantial consolution in the were the talk of London for their beauty shape of a salary of \$23,500 a year, almost end unconventionality six or seven years three times that of its counterpart in the ago, and the entertainments at the man American government, the secretaryship of sion which Mrs. Armstrong Smith has ac- | the navy, as well as a handsome house and



LORD TWEEDMOUTH.

peerage if the incumbent does not already possess one. Yet few men who have any knowledge of the position envy Lord Tweed- finally the crash came.

The first lord is the political head of the British navy. He is the gag which the through Augsburg Woelfi ran into a street prime minister places on the navy to keep rallway car and as a result of the smash the real facts from the public. It is not was "rrested and sentenced to two months" ship before he tackles his job, but he as- teen years. sumes charge of the greatest navy in the world and rules it with autocratic authority. young and wealthy lawyer belonging to frustrated his efforts. He is the superior of the other members of the commission which rules the navy of the city, August Buerki, who had formed Great Britain-the senior, second, third and an indiscreet acquaintance with an idle junior naval lords, the civil lord and the and disreputable young loafer named Goets. Hundred and Fifty Thousand Men in parliamentary and financial secretaries. These eight men are in theory supposed to discharge the office of high admiral of the perfecty innocent. The lawyer seems to British navy, but in reality the first lord is the whole show and the others simply act as his advisers. As a matter of fact, the only members of this commission who know anything at all about the navy and its needs are the senior, second, third and junior naval lords. They have grown up in the service and are men of high-the very highest-rank in the navy. Yet as factors in influencing the naval policy of the country they hardly figure.

In the United States, when the secretary of the navy makes his annual report to congress he embodies in his document the eports and the recommendations of the heads of the several subdepartments under rapidly until they mounted up into the his wing. No such thing happens when the thousands. first lord of the Admiralty makes his report to Parliament. The mouths of the naval lords, the practical men in the navy who realize what is needed, are closed. They cannot open them except to eat-and talk about the weather.

Dinmond Crisis Most Acute. ANTWERP, April 4.- The crists in the itamend industry, which is largely due to as a result failures are anticipated.

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FAME GAINED BY BLACKMAIL

Bavarian Barber Causes German Aristocrat to Lose.

FINALLY POLICE ARE CALLED IN

Prosecutor Blossoms Out Into s Gay and Extravagant Member of Society in City of Munich.

MUNICH, April 4.-(Special.)-One of the brought before a European tribunal has just been disposed of in the criminal court here. The victim, a wealthy German aristoquired were some of the most brilliant and incidentally, although not necessarily, a crat and lawyer, parted with \$150,000 or part of the spoil upon herself. The unformore before he finally screwed up his courage and went to the police. His per- to procure which he was gradually realizsecutors, a one-time barber and his wife, ing on all his property, until he found himwho had been living like princes on their self poorer by more than \$150,000. Then he ill-gotten gains, have been sentenced to thought it was time to stop, before he was five years' hard labor. Owing to the recent important developments in the political story to the police. world only brief cablegrams have been sent from here regarding the case, the details of which are so extraordinary as to merit much more extended treatment.

> one of the gayest members of the world of pleasure in the Bavarian capital. He owned a number of barber shops, then went into the amusement business, bought up cafes and tea rooms and concert halls, meanwhile spending money like water. He launched into all kinds of ambitious projects, the last being a scheme for the advancement of modern music by a tour through the leading capitals of Europe with Frans Lehar, author of "The Merry Widow," Oscar Straus and other great lights of the musical world. The principal music hall in Munich, with the famous orchestra known as the Oberlanderkapelle, was Woelfl's latest acquisition. He was one of the best dressed mep in the city, owned motor cars and horses and gave gorgeous champagne entertainments. But

Police Looked Up Record. Recklessly driving a big motor car considered necessary that he should know imprisonment. Before it was over the ponough about the navy to tell the difference lice found he was wanted for a much more

> There lived in Munich at that time a one of the most aristocratic families in The precise nature of their intimacy is not clear, but Buerki maintains that it was written by Buerki. At first his demands tem of Paris. were small, a couple of dollars or so, going on up to \$40. Then they began to increase CANADIAN ROADS RETRENCH

Buerkl, who seems to have been very much afraid of his family hearing of the affair, was an easy mark, and in the beginning parted with money without much protest. Woolfl finally reached a point Woelfl procured nearly \$5,000. Then came time.

have in his possession letters written by Buerki to Goetz, and he had to be bought off. Next came a woman, "Marie Sarvi," a former sweetheart of Goetz, who stated, according to Woelfl's story, that the police were inquiring of her as to the old associates of Goetz. "Marie" proved very expensive, the unhappy Buerkl putting up over \$20,000 to get her off to America.

This was always part of Woelfl's little game, to pretend that he was sending hese other claimants out of the country. In fact, he made two trips to the United States himself at Buerkl's expense. "Ludwig Scidelmayer" and "Johann Grueber" were another two of the mysterious parties who had to be paid, the first cost Buerkl \$17,000. Woelfl's wife, a young and attractive woman, backed up her husband's imposture and spent a not inconsiderable tunate Buerkl went on paying out money, completely ruined, and he told the whole

Many Attended Trial.

Before a court packed to the last seat, the trial lasted two days. Woelfl and his wife put up a bold front. The former in-The most prominent character of the sisted that the imaginary persons for whom story was August Woelfl, who beginning he had received money actually existed, life as a working barber developed into and had duly received all the sums stated. Pressed for their present addresses, he finally said that it was so long ago that he had entirely forgotten them. After Buerkl had told the whole story other wit. nesses related instances of the extravagances of the Woelfl couple. The man had paid \$6,000 for an automobile and \$5,000 for a second one. His taffor's bill was \$1,000 in one year, besides several hundreds more for shoes and haberdashery. Although he had been a barber himself, he doesn't seem to have cared to shave himself, and his barber's bill for the year was \$150. Very large sums were spent, too, upon jewelry. Frau Woelfl, who appeared in court in a handsome costume, seems to have had very expensive tastes in dress. On one occasion she paid \$20 for a hat and gave it away the next day to her housemaid. Her dressmakers' bills ran into some \$1,200 a year.

The jury were not long in finding both prisoners guilty. Woelfl was sentenced to five years imprisonment, a fine of \$750 and ten years' loss of civil rights, and his wife received the same term and fine and five between a gunboat and a first-class battle- serious affair, which went back some fif- years' loss of civil rights. It is stated that shortly before the trial Woelfl attempted to commit suicide, but the prison warders

LOCKOUT PARALYZES PARIS

Building Trades Affected by

Labor Troubles. PARIS. April 4.-A gigantic lockout afhave been a weak, good-natured young feeting 150,000 masons, bricklayers and alman and frequently gave small sums of lied workmen in the building trades went money to Goetz. The latter was well into effect today. The trouble has been known to Woelfl, as they lived in the brewing for months past over the question same house, and in some way Woelfl soon of hours and the application of the weekly found out that his friend was getting day of rest law. The men insisted on a money from Buerkl. After some years maximum day of nine hours. The masters Goetz died, in May, 1893, and shortly after- offered a higher wage scale and a reducward Woelfl began a steady course of tion of hours last autumn, but this the blackmailing the unfortunate Buerki, which men refused. The lockout will result in continued until a few weeks ago. It began bringing to a standstill all building operawith Woelfl asserting that he had received tions, both public and private, including from Goetz some compromising letters the work on the underground railroad sys-

Railways Operating in Eastern Canada Inaugurate Policy of Economy on Lines.

ST. JOHN, N. B., April 4.-The railroads operating in eastern Canada have inaugurated a policy of retrenchment because of the extensive decrease in traffic over their where even his audscity wasn't great lines. The construction of new cars has enough to support him in demanding more been stopped entirely by most of the roads money for himself, and so he hit upon the and many cars in need of repairs are laid the cessation of the American demand for idea of inventing other blackmallers. He up at the shops. The Canadian Pacific the stones, is acuts. The flecision of the told Buerkl that another man who knew railway officials say that 300 men have Diamond Workers' union to cease work Goets had suddenly appeared on the scene been laid off in the shops in Angus, Quebec, for the month of April will make it prac- and had been to him to ask for hush and a further cut down is possible. The tically impossible for merchants to unload money. The first of these imaginary per- workshops of the Grand Trunk railroad at their stocks and meet their liabilities, and sons was a "Karl Meler," for whom Point St. Charles are working on reduced

A WORD TO WORKINGMEN ON THE PROHIBITION QUESTION

BY A HEAVY TAXPAYER.

The brewing and distilling industries, together with their allied trades, according to government census reports, employs in round numbers three hundred thousand men earning not less than two hundred fifty million dollars per annum, who will be doomed to idleness if prohibition agitators are to have their way. What would become of this vast army of unemployed; where would they find other work, and who would feed their women and children, probably not less than a million people in all? How would it affect labor in other in-

The brewing and distilling industries and allied trades contribute toward the cost of our National government two hundred and seventeen million dollars. Whence will this vast sum be taken if prohibition

These industries consume of the products of the country, such as grain, fuel, bottles, barrels, machinery and other supplies, advertising, etc., two hundred and seventy million dollars. Where will this vast lot of material find a market outside of these trades, and what will be the effect upon the selling price of such material and upon the earnings of its producers?

The income of cities and counties derived from local liquor licences, real estate and personal property. taxes contributed by these industries is not over-estimated at eighty-five million dollars. Whence will this enormous sum be taken if these industries are wiped out by prohibition agitation and what additional burdens will have to be placed upon the other taxpayers, to defray the cost of our magnificent school system which is largely supported by funds derived from this source? To what extent will the salaries of our teachers have to be cut when such income is eliminated?

Do you know what a sum like two hundred or three hundred million dollars means? The cost of the Revolutionary War, lasting five years, was one hundred and thirty-five million dollars, and bankrupted the country for twenty years.

Figure out for yourselves what the inevitable results of prohibition mean to you and the country at large along those lines, and then stop to consider what prohibition will NOT accomplish.

Government census reports covering the twenty years prior to 1900, show an increase in the amount of drunkenness and crime in prohibition territory, and that the death rate from alcholism during that period increased 53 per cent, in the prohibition states, while in ten other states under effective license regulations the death rate from that cause decreased 34 per cnt. It is conceded by the most competent and most incorruptible authorities that the only safe and sane

method of promoting temperance, and temperance means the temperate enjoyment of the good things of life, is a well regulated license system; all other and radical remedies have proven abortive from time immemorial. Oklahoma adopted prohibition in its constitution less than a year ago, but it has already reconsidered and enacted a State Dispensary Law. Prohibition agitators consist of three classes:

First: The few bigoted zealots, sincere possibly, but who have inherited that same spirit of puritanical intolerance that burned witches at the stake but a few hundred years ago.

Second: The professional prohibition agitators and prohibition lawyers who make money and political capital out of the efforts of the first class; and

Third: That multitude of perhaps well meaning but unthinking and shallow people who blindly follow the lead of the first two classes, together with that yast number of hypocrites, who figure that even with prohibition they will get all they want to drink anyway.

Now just think, these people want to tell you, workingmen, that you have not character enough to control your appetites, just because a few weaklings cannot; they want to tell you that you are not able to take care of yourselves, and that you must have a guardian in the shape of a prohibition law to stand over you at all times and command you what you shall or shall not eat or drink; they tell you that you are not able to take care of your children, or that the moral atmosphere of your homes is such that they will be driven to

the saloon Have you ever stopped to think what these kind of people have done for the laboring man? Do not forget what our immortal Abraham Lincoln said on this subject: "Prohibition will work great injury to the cause of temperance. It is a species of intemperance in itself; it goes beyond the bounds of reason in that it attempts to control a man's appetite by legislation and in making crimes out of things that are not crimes. * * * The prohibition law strikes a blow at the principles on which our very government

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