

CONDITION OF TREASURY

Treasurer Roberts Submits His Annual Report.

NATION HAS A LARGE SURPLUS.

Magnitude of Available Cash Balance and Unprecedented Holdings of Gold and Striking Features—Gold is Gradually Replacing Silver.

Washington, Nov. 4.—Ellis H. Roberts, treasurer of the United States, in opening his annual report, says that the magnitude of the available cash balance and the unprecedented holdings of gold are the striking features of the condition of the treasury at the close of the fiscal year 1902. The net ordinary revenues for the year were \$362,478,233, and the expenditures \$171,190,857, showing a surplus of \$191,287,376.

In comparison with the previous year, there was a decrease of \$25,207,004 in the revenues, offset by a falling off of \$38,776,495 in the expenditures. While there was an increase of \$15,859,252 in the receipts from customs, the internal revenue, under the operation of new laws repealing the war taxes, fell off \$35,300,541. There was a decrease of \$32,343,481 in expenditures on account of the war department and an increase of \$7,296,146 in the cost of the navy. The total receipts of the year from all sources, including the public debt, were \$1,062,124,037, and the disbursements \$969,627,041. United States notes and treasury notes were redeemed in gold to the amount of \$17,482,590 of the former and \$1,274,590 of the latter, without any impairment of the gold reserve of \$150,000,000.

The gold coin and bullion Oct. 1 exceeded all other kinds of money, excluding national bank notes, by \$200,368,433. In five years the ratio of gold in the country to total circulation has run up from 36.52 to 46.45 to the hundred.

The growth in the volume of money in circulation during the year was \$74,082,550 carrying the per capita from \$27.98 to \$28.43.

TO RESUME TREATY TALK.

Canal Negotiations Likely to Be Taken Up Immediately.

Washington, Nov. 4.—With the return of Secretary Hay to Washington, Senator Conchas may resume negotiation for a canal treaty, which has been interrupted by complications on the isthmus. The legation has been expecting important dispatches from Bogota containing special instructions for Mr. Conchas on some of the delicate points, but the arrival of these need not necessarily be awaited, as the advice which have recently been received by the minister have indicated that the situation has been clearing so as to permit of a resumption of negotiations. Mr. Herran, secretary of the legation, called at the state department with a note from the minister, making inquiry as to when Secretary Hay would return. The belief of the officials here is that if the matter is expedited a treaty for the construction of the canal can be completed by the contracting parties within thirty days, thus enabling the president to send it to the senate early in the coming session.

Negro Lynched in Alabama.

Selma, Ala., Nov. 4.—Sam Harris, a negro, entered the home of George Meadows, a planter, who lives six miles south of here, about 9 o'clock yesterday morning, during Mr. Meadows' absence, and with an ax struck Mrs. Meadows and her eighteen-year-old daughter on the head, crushing Mrs. Meadows' skull and fracturing that of the daughter. Mrs. Meadows has never regained consciousness and will die. The negro was taken in charge by about 125 men and his body riddled with bullets.

CROP CONDITIONS ARE GOOD.

Too Much Rain Retarded Eastern Grain, but Did Little Damage.

Washington, Nov. 3.—The following summary of crop conditions for the month of October was issued by the weather bureau: The month, as a whole, was very mild, with a generally sufficient rainfall, which over a large part of the Atlantic coast and gulf districts resulted in little injury, except in the early part of the month. In the central valleys the conditions are generally favorable for hardening corn, but a considerable portion of the crop in the lake region and over the northern portions of the Mississippi and Missouri valleys is yet soft.

Winter wheat seeding made satisfactory progress and was largely completed by the close of the month in the principal winter states. The early sown has, as a rule, germinated well, good stands being generally reported. Fly is, however, quite extensively reported from the states of Ohio and central Mississippi valleys.

Governor Yates' Condition.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 4.—Governor Yates yesterday passed the most critical day since he was taken ill. His fever reached 103.4-5 degrees, while his pulse was 98. The governor was irrational during part of the day. The patient received some rest and also partook and retained some nourishment during the day.

Harmony at Panama.

Panama, Colombia, Nov. 4.—General Perdomo sent a telegraphic message yesterday to the authorities at Bogota as follows: "Troops and war material are at present transported across the isthmus on trains furnished by the railroad company. We are working in perfect harmony with Admiral Casey."

ARBITRATORS GO TO HAZLETON.

Will Devote Next Four Days to Inspection of Collieries.

Scranton, Pa., Nov. 3.—The mine strike commissioners left for Hazleton to spend four days in further acquainting themselves with the physical affairs of mining. Assistant Recorder Neill was left behind to receive the miners' statement from President Mitchell today. On Thursday it is expected the operators' counter-statement will be presented. The commissioners will then take a recess until Friday, Nov. 14, by which time the two parties will be expected to have completed the preparation of their cases and be ready to go on with the hearing. The commission will also devote the interim to preparation for the hearings by acquainting themselves with the details of the two statements.

Bishop Spalding preached at the late mass in St. Peter's cathedral last evening. His fellow commissioners attended and occupied front pews.

No reference was made to the work of the commission and only in a most general way could the sermon be made applicable thereto.

COLLISION SINKS STEAMER.

With Three Exceptions All on Board Found Watery Graves.

London, Nov. 3.—The British steamer St. Regulus, Captain McMullen, from Shields for Alexandria, has put in at Gravesend. She reports having collided with and sunk the Spanish steamer Enero, Captain Delgado, from Huelva, Spain. With the exception of three members, the crew of the Enero were drowned. The accident occurred Friday night off Dungeness.

The captain of the St. Regulus says that when his vessel struck the Enero he gave the order for full speed ahead, with the idea of keeping the two vessels locked together, and thus enabling the crew of the Spanish ship to board the St. Regulus, but either they were too greatly alarmed to do so or they failed to understand his purpose, and instead of climbing on board the British ship, they tried to lower a boat, with the result that a number were thrown into the sea and drowned. The Enero sank in a few minutes. The explosion of her boilers probably killed many others of her crew. The St. Regulus was badly damaged, a large hole being stove in her stem.

FORCED HIS WIFE TO FORGE.

Myrtle Kept Various Disguises to Aid Criminal Career.

Pueblo, Colo., Nov. 3.—The police of this city think they have in custody a prisoner who will be of importance in St. Louis and Jefferson City. The man is known as Joe Myrtle, and he was arrested on the complaint of his wife, whose personal safety had been threatened. She states that at his order she signed more than twenty checks which Myrtle had brought to her, made out for sums of from \$20 to \$70, and after going away he would return with a pocket full of money. In the possession of the prisoner when arrested were various novel devices, including a policeman's uniform, the garb of a priest and that of a clergyman.

Silver Workers to Strike.

New York, Nov. 3.—A meeting of silver workers, attended by 800 men, representing the 3,000 of the craft employed in this city, Brooklyn and Newark, was held yesterday to discuss differences between the employers and workers. It was decided to go on a strike at noon unless a nine-hour working day, instead of the ten-hour day, now the rule, is granted.

Hudson Valley Strike Settled.

Schenectady, N. Y., Nov. 3.—The strike of the motormen on the Hudson Valley Electrical railway was settled last night, the company recognizing the union and agreeing to the schedule of wages presented by the men. The strike has been notable for considerable rioting and the consequent calling out of several companies of the state National Guard.

Arbitrate French Strike.

Lille, France, Nov. 3.—A meeting was held here yesterday between delegates of the coal companies and the striking coal miners in the department Du Nord. Falling to come to an agreement, it was decided to refer the question of an increase in the miners' wages to arbitration.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

The rumor that the czar is suffering from a nervous complaint is denied. Count Tolstoi is suffering from an other attack of inflammation of the lungs.

Charles Miller, a landscape engineer of national reputation, died Sunday at his home in Philadelphia after a protracted illness.

Samuel H. Edgar, until recently second vice president of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, is dead at a sanitarium at Caldwell, N. J.

Fire at Larchmont, N. Y., Sunday destroyed a section of the business district and wiped out houses in which a dozen families lived. The estimated loss is \$75,000.

The Chicago Federation of Labor Sunday rescinded its act of expulsion against Typographical union No. 16 and offered to reinstate the delegates when they apply for admission.

"Lum" Houchens, brother of County Treasurer C. D. Houchens, was killed at Petersburg, Ind., Sunday by a man who is said to be one Bradbury, whose brother "Lum" had killed several months ago.

William Roebuck, aged forty years, an opera singer, whose home was in Lima, O., was killed Sunday by a suburban car near St. Louis. He was lying on a trestle crossing the River des Peres and was badly mangled.

BATTLE OF THE BALLOONS

Both Sides Make Usual Statements Predicting Success.

ESTIMATES OF PARTY LEADERS.

Odell and Celer Each Assert They Will Be Elected Governor of New York—Warm Contest in Colorado. Uncertainty in Nebraska.

New York, Nov. 4.—Election day finds the leaders of both the parties still claiming large, and in many instances increased, pluralities for their respective candidates.

Frank Campbell, chairman of the Democratic state committee, had declared himself convinced that his estimate of 35,000 plurality in the state for Celer for governor erred on the side of modesty, and expresses confidence that the candidate is sure of election by at least 50,000. Mr. Campbell declared that his increased estimate was based on late information, which indicated a landslide for the Democratic party. He thought it improbable that Celer's plurality might run as high as 65,000 votes. Celer himself is more sanguine, being sure that the governorship will be his by a plurality of fully 60,000 votes.

Colonel George W. Dunn, chairman of the Republican state committee, on the other hand, stands fast to his original estimate of 37,000 plurality for Odell, which is practically the same as that of the candidate himself.

Leaders of both parties agree that there is little likelihood of any radical change in the complexion of the congressional delegation of New York county, the results in many districts being foregone conclusions. Outside of the battle for the governorship, the election in the metropolis is exciting unusually little interest.

Iowa.

Des Moines, Nov. 4.—It is believed here that a somewhat larger vote will be polled in Iowa today than has been anticipated. Reports to both headquarters show that interest in the election, especially in the more closely contested congressional districts, has materially increased. Political meetings were generally held throughout the state last night. Secretary of the Treasury Shaw spoke here and Senator Dolliver at Mason City. The earlier estimates made at the two headquarters have not been revised. Chairman Spence, before leaving for his home at Mt. Airy, claimed the election of the Republican state ticket by 65,000 and the election of all the Republican congressional candidates. Chairman Jackson of the Democratic committee concedes the state to the Republicans by not over 35,000 and claims the election of Wade and Craig in the Second and First districts and the probable election of two or three other Democrats to congress. The prohibitionists have waged an active campaign and expect to increase their vote, and the Socialists have apparently made slight gains in some of the larger cities.

Illinois.

Chicago, Nov. 4.—The Republicans claim that in today's state election they will have nineteen out of twenty-five congressmen and more than enough members of the state legislature to elect the next United States senator, who is to succeed Senator William E. Mason. The Democrats claim that they will have a few more than a majority of the legislature on joint ballot, while the Republicans assert that there is no doubt of their ability to control the assembly by a majority of at least a dozen or fifteen votes. Of the twenty-five congressmen to be elected in the state the Republicans claim they have sixteen for sure and feel confident of getting three more. The Democrats claim twelve. The present delegation in congress is evenly divided, eleven Republicans and eleven Democrats.

Nebraska.

Lincoln, Nov. 4.—Nebraska will elect a state ticket and six congressmen today. On the former neither the Republicans nor the fusionists are making strong claims and the result of the fight between J. H. Mickey (Rep.) and W. H. Thompson (fusion) is admittedly doubtful, although the chairman of both parties claim victory. The prevailing opinion is that the opposing parties will break even in the congressional election.

Kansas.

Topeka, Nov. 4.—Kansas today will elect a full state ticket, including eight congressmen. The Republican and Democratic chairmen both profess confidence in complete success at the polls. A nonpartisan view of the situation makes it appear that the Republicans will elect their state and congressional tickets. The Democrats, on the other hand, are almost sure to make gains in the legislature.

Wyoming.

Cheyenne, Nov. 4.—The Democratic state managers profess to be hopeful of electing their congressional and state candidates today, but will give no figures. On the other hand, the Republicans assert that Congressman Mendell will be re-elected by a majority of at least 6,000 and the entire state ticket by majorities of not less than 2,500. The legislature will be overwhelmingly Republican.

Coffee Crop Is Wiped Out.

Hamburg, Nov. 4.—Advices received from Guatemala say that 200,000 hundred-weights of this year's coffee crop were lost as a result of eruption of the volcano Santa Maria.

DOUKHOBORS ARE GOING HOME.

Fanatics Become Exhausted on March and Many Turn Back.

Yorkton, N. W. T., Nov. 3.—Several of the men who composed the Doukhobor pilgrimage have returned here. One of them came to Agent Creaser and asked for the clothing and blankets which he had discarded on the march. When asked if he intended returning to his village, he replied that that was his intention. Word was brought in this morning that several of the men were in an exhausted condition on the line of march between here and Bradbury.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 3.—Premier Roblin of Manitoba has telegraphed Hon. Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior, to prevent the Doukhobors entering Manitoba, because they would have to be treated as lunatics and criminals, and the province had no means of doing this. He wanted a guarantee against financial loss. Mr. Sifton replied that the Dominion officials were looking after the Doukhobors and there was no reason to believe that they would do harm to any one but themselves. He did not, therefore, see any need of guarantee against loss and stated that if Premier Roblin interfered with the Dominion officers he would do so on his own responsibility.

SEEKS ADMISSION TO JAIL.

Laura Bigger Demands That She Be Locked Up.

Freehold, N. J., Nov. 4.—Miss Laura Bigger, the actress, for whom a warrant was issued for alleged attempted fraud in connection with the will of the late Henry M. Bennett, experienced considerable difficulty in gaining admission to the county jail here when she appeared at the sheriff's office yesterday and said she desired to surrender herself. The difficulty arose over the fact that the warrant was in the hands of a constable at Asbury Park and the sheriff declined to take the responsibility of locking the would-be prisoner up until the document had been formally served on her. Miss Bigger, finding the sheriff obdurate, insisted on waiting in the witness room of the jail until the constable arrived with the warrant, when the sheriff's scruples having been removed, he consented to receive Miss Bigger as a prisoner.

MINERS OPPOSE SLIDING SCALE.

President Mitchell Files Statement With Strike Commission.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Nov. 4.—Although the various coal companies are not prepared to give figures, it is known that the output in the anthracite region was larger than any day since the collieries resumed operations, eleven days ago. President Mitchell's protest against the sliding scale, as filed with the investigating committee, meets with the approval of all the miners. At strike headquarters, the opinion is that the readoption of the sliding scale would be a step backward and instead of the miners gaining anything by their strike, they would be the losers.

Arbitrators in Lehigh Valley.

Hazleton, Pa., Nov. 4.—The anthracite strike commission spent the entire day in the Lehigh valley region, visiting one mine and several of the mining villages. While most of the commissioners were looking over the territory, Recorder Wright was kept busy on the train attending to the correspondence of the commission. Among the matters he disposed of was the sending to all the coal companies involved of a copy of President Mitchell's statement of the miners' case, which was filed with the commission on Sunday night, before its departure from Scranton. Under the agreement made before the commission at Washington, the operators will make a reply in three or four days.

Death of Nebraska Pioneer.

Tecumseh, Neb., Nov. 4.—Joseph E. Lamaster, a pioneer Nebraska legislator and federal officeholder and one of the most prominent politicians in the state, died here last night, aged seventy-two years.

Seconds Agree on a Duel.

Paris, Nov. 4.—The seconds of Marquis de Dion and M. Gerault Richard of the Petite Republique met yesterday and agreed on the conditions of a duel to be fought today.

Another Airship Is Launched.

Paris, Nov. 4.—The Auto-Velo this morning says that the Lebaudy airship, after being tried at a height of twenty yards, held by a rope, ascended to a height of about eighty yards free of the rope and made a circuit of the park. The balloon then made another circuit of at least a height of 100 yards and then two shorter flights over the park. In all the airship covered a distance of a mile and a half.

Kansas City Flower Show.

Kansas City, Nov. 4.—Convention hall has been transformed into a scene of bewildering beauty, great numbers of rare blossoms and plants being on exhibition at this, the third annual flower show. Some of the most noted growers in the country, from New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan, have exhibits here competing for the heavy cash prizes hung up.

Three Trainmen Killed.

Baltimore, Nov. 3.—Three trainmen were almost instantly killed yesterday by the explosion of a boiler of a Baltimore and Ohio locomotive at Halethorpe. Traffic was delayed about three hours by the accident. Those who were killed were: Engineer E. W. Biggs, Fireman O. W. Hunt and Brakeman C. O. Stalling.

LADRONES AGAIN ACTIVE

Murder Presidente of Town and His Wife.

OUTLAWS KIDNAP HIS CHILDREN

Cut Off Head of Public Official and Then Slash His Wife With Bolos. Victim Said to Have Been Too Friendly With Americans.

Manila, Nov. 3.—A portion of a gang of ladrones which has been operating on the island of Biliran, where they committed various outrages, crossed over to the island of Leyte and entered a small town near Carigara. Here they captured and beheaded the president of the town, murdered his wife, whom they slashed with bolos, and abducted the president's children. The motive of this crime is said to have been the president's friendliness with the Americans.

Ladrones are again active in the provinces of Rizal and Bulacan, Luzon. Members of the native constabulary engaged these bandits twice during the past week at points close to Manila, and succeeded in killing a number of them. The constabulary is capable of suppressing these ladrones.

Reports received here indicate that the situation on the island of Samar is better than has recently been reported. A number of Dios Dios, or religious fanatics, are still operating there, but officials report that the Samar police are able to handle the situation.

Three Killed in Mine Explosion.

New Stratsville, O., Nov. 3.—Maurice O'Brien, miner; Charles Sampson, stable boss, and Herbert Coran, bookkeeper, were killed by an explosion of gas in Lost Run mine. No one knows how the men came to be in the mine, but it is believed they went in to explore it and that the gas was ignited by the lights they carried. The bodies, which were found some distance from the entrance, were badly burned and mangled.

White House Ready for Occupancy.

Washington, Nov. 4.—The office furniture of the white house was yesterday removed from the Jackson place residence to the new executive offices adjoining the white house. The offices will be ready for the president upon his return from Oyster Bay. The living rooms in the remodeled white house also will be ready for occupancy when the president and Mrs. Roosevelt arrive on Thursday.

Cuban Children Detained.

Washington, Nov. 4.—The treasury department has received information of the arrival at New York of thirty Cuban children, en route to the "Universal Brotherhood school," at Point Loma, near San Diego, Cal. Assistant Secretary Taylor has directed that the children be detained in New York until the character and responsibility of the school can be ascertained.

A Shameful Record.

B. R. B. Weber, one of the state chairmen of the fusion party, was superintendent of the Geneva Industrial school under Poynter. When he left, the state's property was a wreck, and the inmates were demoralized. He had at one time shut a young girl for seven days and nights in a basement dungeon, where she was compelled to sleep on the cement floor without even a blanket. The official papers in the damage suit filed against Weber say the girl has lost the use of one arm as the result of the cruel treatment. Yet Weber is deemed the proper person to direct a fusion state campaign, and is to be sent back to Geneva if his party is successful.

Don't Want Him.

Out at Alliance the whisky trust owns three of the six saloons. The bookkeeper of these institutions is one "Doc Edwards," who makes his office in the "Red Light" saloon. He also acts as assistant barkeeper. He was "physician" for one of the state institutions under Poynter, and he has the promise of a similar place in case the democrats are triumphant.

Fusionism and the Schools.

At a democratic meeting at Sidney the other day John Powers in a speech turned to Claude Smith, democratic candidate for state superintendent, who occupied a seat near by, and said: "Elect my friend Smith and he will put a stop to this foolishness of going out into the country with wagons to haul children to school." Smith accepted the pledge without a protest. The children who are seeking for better schools and better education now know what to expect, if Smith is elected.

President Visits Battlefield.

Brandy Station, Va., Nov. 3.—President Roosevelt passed several hours yesterday on the battlefield of Cedar Mountain. Accompanied by Secretary Root, Secretary Cortelyou and Dr. Rixey, the president drove to the site of the sanguinary struggle and there received from an eye-witness and participant an account of the fight. It was the most interesting event thus far of his present trip.

Freight Trains Collide.

Schenectady, N. Y., Nov. 3.—A freight brakeman was killed and a freight conductor slightly injured in a rear-end collision between two freight trains five miles west of this city on New York Central last night. The engineer of the second train lost control and crashed into the forward train, and the fireman saved their lives by jumping.

ANGRY AT AMERICANS.

Colombians Want Marines Removed From Railroad Line.

Kingston, Jamaica, Nov. 3.—The steamer Trent arrived here from Colon. She brings reports that the Colombian rebels are still to be seen in the vicinity of the isthmus and that they occasionally appear in the towns along the railroad line.

Considerable indignation is felt by the Colombians because American guards are still maintained on the line. Officials of the Colombian government claim that what they term the interference of the Americans prevents them from dealing effectively with the rebels. The revolutionists, in their turn, claim that the presence of the Americans prevents them from bringing about a final coup in the revolution. There is much suffering on the isthmus and the position of civilians there is intolerable.

It is reported that the terms of a settlement between the revolutionists and the Colombian government are at present under consideration, but it was considered doubtful whether they would be agreed to.

PAY VISIT TO CEMETERY.

Vienna Pilgrims Place Wreaths Upon Graves of Dead.

Vienna, Nov. 3.—One-third of the population of Vienna made pilgrimages Saturday and Sunday, All Saints' day and All Souls' day, respectively, to the Central cemetery of Vienna. The pilgrims started in the early morning and returned late at night. Some went on foot, while others used vehicles of all descriptions. It is estimated that 600,000 persons visited the graves in the cemetery on these two days. The pilgrims all carried wreaths, and before the tombs and in the long grass burned countless candles.

Monuments of Mozart, Beethoven and Schubert, as well as the plot where are buried the 600 victims of the Ring theater fire of 1881, attracted thousands of visitors. This cemetery is the largest in Europe and contains 622,000 graves. The emperor and other members of the royal family placed wreaths on the coffin of the empress and of Crown Prince Rudolph in the vaults of the Capuchin church.

London Has Another Scandal.

London, Nov. 3.—A tremendous sensation was caused here by statements that another scandal of the Oscar Wilde type was about to become public property. It is asserted that the man whose name is connected with the affair, and who is a peer, has fled the country, but there is every reason to believe that he is at present lying ill at an English watering place. A report of this affair found its way into print in guarded language this morning, but every effort will be exerted to prevent further publicity.

Askes Cover the Land.

Tapachula, Mex., Nov. 3.—Growers on neighboring haciendas will suffer great loss owing to the fact that their stock cannot procure food, the fields being covered with ashes from Santa Maria volcano. The brooks are choked with ashes and clinders and all the neighboring roads are covered. It begins to be seen that the coffee planters will come off better than the stock raisers. Diligent investigation shows that there was no loss of life during the recent disturbances.

Lands Cargo of Arms.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 3.—The steamer Athenian, which reached port yesterday from the Orient, brought news from Korea that a Britisher named Bill Brough recently landed a cargo of arms and ammunition from a filibustering schooner, from Hong Kong, in the vicinity of Gensan. The Gensan correspondent of the Tokio Asahi, who wires the news to his paper, says it is not known for what purpose she brought the arms.

Chinese Officials Punished.

Peking, Nov. 3.—The efforts made by Sir Ernest Satow, the British minister here, have resulted in the publication of an edict ordering the decapitation of the Chinese military official who refused protection to the British missionaries, Bruce and Lewis, who were killed at Chen Chow, Ho Nan province, Aug. 15, by a mob, and the punishment of other officials implicated in the crime.

Chinese Students Coming.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 3.—An imperial decree, issued by the Chinese government, provides for the dispatch of a number of Chinese students to the seats of learning in the United States for educational purposes. The students will be sent at government expense to take postgraduate courses and upon their return those successful in examinations will be appointed to government positions.

French Deputies Will Fight Duel.

Paris, Nov. 3.—M. Gerault Richard, of the Petite Republique, has telegraphed two of his friends to meet the seconds of the Marquis de Dion today and arrange for a duel. The trouble between Richard and De Dion, who are both members of the chamber of deputies, grew out of a recent angry discussion in a corridor of the chamber. De Dion slapped Richard's face.

Viljoen Offers His Services.

London, Nov. 3.—Boer Commandant Viljoen has written a letter to Earl Roberts, in which he offers his services to the British army if Boers are enlisted to take the field against the forces of the Mullah in Somaliland.

Czar's Uncle Dismissed From Army.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 3.—The Official Messenger announces the dismissal from the army of the Grand Duke Paul Alexandrovitch, who is an uncle of the czar.