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HISTORY OF THE HOUSE OF HERTFORD

Devotion of the Third and Fourth of the Line to the Gathering of Art Treasures and Its Result.

(Copyright, 1897, by Press Publishing Company.) LONDON, Feb. 27 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-Some details have been made public of the splendid bequest of her magnificent gallery to the British nation by the widow of Sir Richard Wallace, but many of the following facts have not been in print before, I think,

The collection-pictures and articles of vertu-is unequaled in any private gallery in the world. Its salesroom value is estimated at \$7,500,000, though from an artistic point of view, many of the pictures, notably those of the Dutch masters, are practically priceless. It comprises the best part of a famous collection begun by the third marquis of Hertford, the original of Thackeray's Lord Steyne. He had wealth at his command at a time when, after the last French revolution and the uphcaval caused by the Napoleonic wars, collections were dispersed wholesale, and being endowed with unerring taste, he accumulated a collection of pictures, of Louis XVI furniture and of china which, in the opinion of successive generations of experts, does not in clude a single second-rate article. There are 600 pictures, including all schools. One of the most notable of English collectors said to me yesterday: "Every one of the 600 is a veritable masterplece of its kind." They have increased enormously in value. Sir Richard Wallace was offered \$100,000 a few years ago for two Bouchers which Lord Hertford had purchased for \$750. This is merely an example of the way in which a majority of the pictures have grown in

SPOILS OF THE REVOLUTION. The Sevres china, Dutch and Italianware is not considerable in quantity, but is un rivated in quality, taking rank with that at Windsor palace. There are stored rich spoils, also harvested during the revolutionary period by the prince regent. Lord Herttime between the auction room and the cou lisses. He was a type of the cynical, autocratic, brilliant, unscrupulous, wealthy no bleman, dear to novelists. He died in 1842 and was succeeded by his son, who inherited his father's character and tastes with his estates. This last marguis died unmarried in 1870. Sir Richard Wallace is commonly reputed to have been his son, but those who know most about the marquis have always been the most mystified as to Sir Richard Wallace's parentage and true relation to Lord Hertford. In the best informed circles in Paris and London it is believed that he was not his son, but his natural half-brother as there was only sixteen years' difference in their ages. The Hertfords were a queet lot, and it is known that Sir Richard was never let into the secret of his birth. During Lord Hertford's life Richard held a more or less mental position in his bousehold and never was treated as an equal. When Hert ford drove out Richard sat on the box of his brougham. Richard mixed exclusively with curiosity dealers, with whom the late Lord Hertford passed as much of his time

as his father had done. band There was even a famous of dealers, known as "La Bande Noire," with the late well known Mr. Spitzer at their head. They had agents everywhere, and wherever a fine work of art or collection was to be obtained by intrigue, cajolery, bribery or otherwise, there La Bande Noire gathered, and Hertford al- parture are convinced that he has done spicaways had the first refusal of their acquisitions. He completed the collection of his ferred with Senator Wolcott was L. J. Maxse father, and on his death left everything he possibly could in money and effects to Richtailed estates and heirlooms to the cousin

who succeeded to the title. IMPROVEMENT IN THE HERTFORDS. Richard then appeared in society, where his handsome face, fue figure and courtly manners accorded well with the position his wealth gave him. He was not particularly well educated and he was more French than English in appearance and style. But he had the Heriford passion for art and a liberality and a benevolence new to the family. His magnificent self-sacrifice and devotion to the Parisians during the slege made him beloved throughout France, and after the war his philanthropy and heroism were rewarded by a barocetcy conferred by Queen Victoria. He had formed an attachment in early life for the woman he finally married, from whom he never wavered. She was a dapper at the opera, not good looking and about twelve years his senior. Fear of Lord Hertford preventing them from marry- famous than any of its predecessors. Europe ing while he fived made them cautious, but looks to him for the next move. John Buil on his death they were wed. Their son was does not block the way," thus legitimatized. He was clever, popular and accomplished, the idol of his parents. He in turn formed an attachment for an actress at the Comedie Francaise. The match was forbidden by Sir Richard, and shortly afterward young Wallace was found dead at Bagatelle, Sir Richard's splendid mansion at that he killed himself. This darkened the lives of Sir Richard and Lady Wallace, The former retired from Parliament, where he sat as a member for the Ulster constituency, where he had extensive estates. He size retired from society and the grand entertainments at Bagatelle and Hertford

INSULTED BY THE QUEEN. Lady Wallace had been received at the English court on her husband's creation as a baronet, but two years before her son's death she was informed that her name had been struck off the queen's visiting list. This was a gratuitous affront, there being no reason for it that was not known at the time of her original reception. It helped Then again, when Sir Richard wished be States on board the Muscotte.

House were suddenly and finally stopped.

fore his death to make over his collection to the English nation, attaching only the condition that it should be preserved at Hertford House, the government curtly declined the bequest, because he had not given greatly angered by this treatment of his offer, and it was feared that this incident, ogether with Lady Wallace's French nationality and remembrance of the insult put upon her by the English queen, would cause her to bequeath the collection to the Louvre But with rare magnanimity she has willed otherwise, having left the bulk of the remainder of her property, not to the holder of the Hertford title, but to Mr. Scott Murray, who for thirty years acted as her hus-

band's secretary. The histories attaching to some of the pictures and their acquisition would make French furniture by Reisaner, admittedly the finest example of Louis XIV work extant, was stolen from the Louvre during one of the upheavale in Paris about 1840. Lady Wallace was devoid of artistic leanings, but her boudoir at Hertford House con tained thirty Grenzes, all among the very finest examples extant of that mester.

ROUT OF THE REDMONDITES.

Timothy Harrington's attempt to reunite the Irish factions has failed for the time. John Redmond, unmindful of the counse given to him in America, was bulldezed by a band of his extreme followers into declining to entertain the proposals of his own most influential supporters. Mr. Harrington has financial and political bankruptcy of the Rednondite faction. He says at the opening of this session of Parliament the financial postion of that coterie was so desperate, the apscals for help to supporters in the country aving been fruitless, it actually had under consideration a suggestion that the Redmondites all resign their seats in Parliament simultaneously, and throw up the sponge. Redmond's lecturing mission to America was the alternative to this extraordinary experiment, but his tour was not a financial success. Harrington's exposure is regarded as a deathblow to Redmoudism. It is thought to be pretty certain that Redmond will see before long the necessity of casting his lot with the Irish party.

Michael Davitt intends to sail for New York toward the end of March with his wife and children. They will go to Calfornia, Mr. Davitt's native state. The children have been ill a good deal this winter n London, and a change of climate has been ordered. Mr. Davitt's visit to the United States will be purely private. He will be back in London in about rix weeks, leaving his family in America for a year.

RHODES WINS HIS POINT. Despite his indifferent beginning, Cecif Rhodes undoubtedly has made a complete conquest of the South Africa committee. By admitting everything he has taken the sting out of his opponents' attack. His imperious way of defending his laches appeals irresistibly to the average Englishmen. The only member of the committee who mastered Rhodes was Edward Blake, whose legal skill and adroitness as a cross-examiner were a revelation to the committee, which was ignorant or unmindful of the fact that Mr. ford lived almost wholly in Paris, then the Blake is one of the greatest lawyers Cancenter of the art world, and passed his ada has produced. Mr. Labouchere, who has was expected to "make it hot" for him. when his turn came yesterday Mr. Rhodes showed himself more than the equal of the

acute, fearless editor of Truth. The only important admission gained from Mr. Rhodes was obtained by Mr. Blake, who elicited the fact that Mr. Rhodes has not the slightest evidence of any kind of German intrigue in the Transvaal, beyond what President Kruger has said himself in different ceremonial speeches. The prediction was made in this correspondence some weeks ago that the sole result of the committee's inquiry would be in, Mr. Rhodes' favor. I is now admitted on all sides that this is

The London Telegraph prints a two-column letter from its New York correspondent giving very damaging figures obtained in the trust investigation.

Mrs. Ralph Vivian, formerly Mrs. Marshal O. Roberts, is getting up a subscription among the Americans in London to give a

jubiled tribute to the queen.

BALLARD SMITH. SENATOR WOLCOTT'S MISSION.

Seems to Have Been Rewarded with a

Good Degree of Success. (Copyright, 1897, by the Associated Press.) LONDON, Feb. 27.-Several prominent bi metallists whom Senator Edward O. Wolcott of Colorado saw here previous to his dedid work in Europe. Among those who coneditor of the National Review. Mr. Maxse occupies a high literary and social position and, but practically nothing, except the enernment leaders and was in America during the recent political campaign. Replying to the request of the Associated press, Mr.

Maxse writes: "I have great difficulty in making any statement on the bimetallic situation in Europe, not because it is discouraging, but for the opposite reason. If I gave my rea impression of the result of Senator Wol cott's mission, which was conducted with great tact and ability, I should be accused of unwarrantable opvimism. There has, in truth, been a great change of opinion in trading and commercial nations of Europe during the last two years, though this is but faintly reflected by the press. I am convinced that if the incoming administration follows Senator Wolcott's inquiries with pur pose and determination a satisfactory international solution of the monetary question will make McKinley's presidency not less

Payor American Cars. LONDON, Feb. 27.-The murder of Mis-Elizabeth Camp, a harmaid of Waiworth, in a railroad carriage of the London & Southwestern line, on Pebruary 11 last, is still a mystery and has caused widespread agitation for the adoption Longehamps. His death was attributed to of American cars. The Board of Trade has heart disease, but there were sinister rumors taken up the matter and its president, Mr. C. T. Ritchie, writes that while no plan is meeting with general approval, yet the question is receiving the best attention of the

department. A somewhat similar case occurred on the Great Western railroad yesterday. On the arrival of the express at Slough toward midnight, a Mrs. Charlton was discovered screaming and clinging to the footboard of the train. She charged the other occupant of the carriage with robbery and attempted murder. A window was broken and the his dying parents, when he was turned out carriage was strewn with money. There were other signs of a severe struggle.

HAVANA, Feb 27. - Fitzhugh Lee, ir., and Senor Lats Morote, the correspondent of El to embitter the closing years of her life | Liberal of Madrid sailed today for the United

It also the freehold of the house. He was Emperor William Needlessly Entangles His Nation in the Matter.

KAISER'S COURSE SHARPLY CRITICISED

No Friends to Be Gained by the Stand the Ministry Has Taken.

BISMARCK'S POLICY IS MORE POPULAR

a romance. It is well known that a suit of New Departure in Foreign Policy Does Not Suit the Masses.

PROPOSITION TO INCREASE THE ARMY

Government Desires to Add 21,000 Men to the Alrendy Large Military Land Force on a Peace Footing.

(Copyright, 1897, by the Associated Press.) BERLIN, Feb. 27 .- It is the opinion in German political circles that the emperor retorted with a remorseless exposure of the and the government have needlessly entangled Germany in the Cretan question and tis embarrassing developments. A Reichstag ing great personal care and diligence in makconservative leader, referring to the subject, said today:

'The admission of Baron Marschal von Bie erstein (the minister for foreign affairs) that German interests are in nowise involved in the Orient argues plainly against the recent course of the government, which will make us no friends, but only enemies, and which will entail considerable expense to is, if it leads to nothing worse."

This opinion is shared by nine out of ten nen one meets privately, irrespective of party. It is generally said this new departure in foreign politics is radically opposed to the old Bismarckian ideas. Even the centrist press, although anti-Bismarckian, recalls the sounder policies of the Bisnarck regime.

The Hamburger Nachrichten strongly proests against the government's policy in aricles evidently from Prince Bismarck's pen, and the only class which expresses satisfaction with his majesty's proceedings is the colonial enthusiasts, who also favor his gigantie naval schemes.

INCREASE THE ARMY. The government already has begun an agitation of the measures it desires to pass during the next legislative period of the Reichstag. The most important is an increase of the German army on a peace footing, besides the big naval projects. The increase in the army amounts to 21,900 men, mainly to comprise the Third battalion, added to the new forty-two regiments which will be formed on April 1.

Delegate Aucker and fifty-seven others have introduced a resolution in the Reichstag granting members a per diem compensation. This time the agrarians, besides other factions, support 4t. There is little doubt that will be passed by a majority. It will then go to the Bundesrath.

Both houses of the Prussian Diet have now approved the bill raising the salaries of teachers in public schools, which will be enforced on April 1. The new law provides an average increase in the salaries of 20 per cent and fixes the minimum at 990 marks. Great indignation prevails among Berlin March 3, all traffic in the streets leading cluded from the unveiling ceremony. Even the loyal National Zeitung rebels at this. Enormous prices will be paid for places from which to view the ceremonies. Eight thousand marks has already been paid for a half story of a large house overlooking the scene. Five hundred marks have been paid for

seats. EMPEROR HAS AN ABSCESS. giving him excessive pain, and he has had pardoning of Sanguilly. to have fementations night and day in order to reduce the swelling. The pain commenced to stand upright for several days. This is the emperor's third case within four years. Prof. Bergmann removed a small abscess from his left shoulder in 1894 with the knife.

The Leipsic university buildings, which have been thoroughly renovated and rebuilt in recent years, will be rededicated with grand ceremony, in the presence of the king of Saxony and a number of princes, on

June 15. There has been an epidemic of influenz n the military barracks of Prenziua. Two undred and fifty men were prostrated. The same condition exists at Spandau, Bresla

and Koenigsburg barracks. The sharp-shooting practice of the guards' orps is now proceeding along the line of the Potsdam railroad, and on Wednesday, whistling past the passing trains. One pas-

senger was mortally wounded. On the occasion of the centenary of March the provisions of which only exclude murderers and lese-majeste offenders. KNEEBS MAY BE PARDONED.

Robert Kneebs, the American horseman, pired from natural causes. indergoing imprisonment for racing the nare Bethel on the German turf under the same of Nellie Kneeks, will probably be included in the list of pardons

Countess von Griebnow, formerly Miss Ada Rhodes of Savannah, Ga., is the first lady rear's taces.

Waiter Phelps, has incurred the wrain of the whole centrist press and party by a paper on "Melanchthon and Liberty of Thought in University Teaching." The Volks. zeitung and the Germania fiercly attack him. There have been many recent cases of ex pulsion of American citizens from the reichstand, and in every instance the United States embarsy has been powerless to effect a revocation of the order of expulsion, as the reichstand is not included in the treaty of 1868 with the North German federation. Some of the cases of expulsion are deserving of sympathy and special consideration, but nothing could be done. For instance, a youth named Reno Guirand of Colmar was visiting of the house and escorted to the frontier by the police. Guirand is a naturalized Ameri-

can, residing at Worcester, Mass. Overproduction of French Pork. PARIS, Feb. 27 .- In the Chamber of Deputies today, the premier, M. Meline, replying to a question on the subject, denied that the again.

crisis in the pork trade of France was due to imports of American pork. It was useto imports of American pork, It was use-less, therefore, he added, to increase the Import duties on American pork. The crisis,

he exclaimed, was due to French overproduction, and he would see that home pork hereafter is used in the French army and

Indian Relief Commission Needs Money to Help the Starving. LONDON, Feb. 27.—Lord George Hamilton, the secretary of state for India, has furnished the following exclusive statement to

"The people of India of all clames and the mother country from her majesty downward ALL DEPENDS ENTIRELY UPON GREECE are much touched with the sympathy and liberality shown by the United States and Canada toward the queen's subjects in India Athens Government Wants to Administer who are now suffering from famine. Already large sums have been sent from Canada and contributions of wheat and maize have been promised from the United States, and fur-

ther assistance is understood to be contemplated.

the Associated press:

navy.

NEWS

"The central relief committee of India reports that it can make better and more prompt use of gifts of money than of contributions of grain, .aluable as the latter are, to enable those now receiving relief to start afresh at the end of the famine, which is one of the avowed objects of the relief fund. Money is essential to the central local committees, on which serve philanthropic men of all races and faiths, including American and European missionaries. They administer the funds, bestowing the moneys received go as far as possible in relief and help outside of the bare subsistence wage or dole which the government is dispensing to those who would otherwise starve. In every famine district there is a large number of respectable persons who fear losing caste and die rather than seek publicly for government aid. To these help can only come through the relief committees and great good has already been done in this

prehended, will, thanks to the favorable win- be received with great enthusiasm. er rainfall, escape with perhaps partial disthe prospects are worse than were antici- Turkish empire. pated. In some districts twenty per cent of ple are now receiving daily relief from the ever this step may be deemed necessary. government, and before the end of May these numbers must reach higher totals.

them, respond with their acceptomed gen- being purchased for military uses.

MADRID, Spain, Feb. 27 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special, Telegram.)-Spain's foreign minister, the duke of Tetuan has cabled to the Spanish legation at Washington the contents of a telegram from the marquis of Ahumada, the acting captain general at Havana, stating that an official infolks at the police order forbidding, after quiry shows that no blame attaches to the officials of the prison, to the other prisoners to the site of the national William monu- or to the authorities of Guanabacoa for the ment, which is to be unveiled on March 22. death of Dr. Ruiz. The marquis adds that This is interpreted as meaning that all ex- both the Spanish and the American physicept a favored few will again be rigidly ex- cians have officially certified that Ruiz's death was due to congestion of the brain, and there was no indication of a blow or of ill treatment.

All the newspapers, except the cautlous ministerial organs are echoing the extreme or in default, demanding \$5,000,000, won his irritation of all classes of the Spanish people and severely censure the government for single windows and 200 marks for single advising the queen to grant Sanguilly liberty. to the resignation of the Canovas minis-

Senor Segasta made the following statemore and more. The government has carried out a war policy by conceding reforms under conditions that will produce no result beginning. It would be impossible for Senor ditions make it impossible to calculate consequences." ARTHUR E. HOUGHTON.

DIFFERENCES ARE OF NO MOMENT.

Spanish Premier Says Trouble with United States is Trivial. MADRID, Feb. 27.-The premier, Senor Canovas del Castillo, at a cabinet council for a distance of four miles, builets were today, at which the queen regent presided, declared that the difference with the United States in regard to the treatment of pris-22, the emperor will issue an amnesty decree, an impartial inquiry into the death of Ruiz. sodas, etc. Colonel Rhodes indulges in beaten to death, showed that the doctor ex-

SHERMAN FAVORS A FIRM STAND. Has No Fear of Its Provoking

With Spais.

DES MOINES, Feb. 27.—Major Hoyt Sherman, brother of Senator John Sherman of in Germany to enter her trotters for this Ohio, has just returned from a visit to the latter and says the incoming secretary of Count von Rottenberg, curator of the Bonn state will make every effort to protect Ameriiniversity and son-in-law of the late Sir can citizens in Cuba and criticises the present administration for not doing so. He favors sending a battleship to Cuba instanter and thinks it would not provoke war with Spain.

LONDON, Feb. 27 .- Truth says that the elease of Mrs. William Castle has been followed by an alarming increase of kleptomania in the West End of London. One leading storekeeper states that he has been obliged to take the law in his own hands, recognizing the futility of legal proceedings and in view of the fact that the disgrace of the arrest, etc., falls upon inno cent members of the families. This storekeeper says that he watched a well-to-do lady and caught her stealing several times Finally he took her, he says, to his private office and offered her the choice of arrest or summary chastisement then and there. She accepted the latter and the proprietor left her with his sister, the manageress, who then birched the lady until the latter howled for mercy and solemnly swore never to do it

Ultimatum of the Great Powers Must Be Respected by Greece.

OF FAMILE DISTRICT. SALISBURY'S PROPOSAL FOR SETTLEMENT

> It Will Probably Be Approved by Other Interested Nations.

Crete as Austria Does Bosnia. NEWS FROM TRANSVAAL CAUSES A STIR

Action of the Volksrand Renders All Contracts and Concessions Unsafe _Heavy Declines on Stock Exchange Follow.

(Copyright, 1897, by the Associated Press.) LONDON, Feb. 27.-The next move in the Cretan game is anxiously awaited. According to the news of the continent, the marquis of Salisbury's proposal for a settle ment of the difficulties is not yet formally endorsed by the powers, but it is believed it will be approved, or the premier would not have made the public announcement on the subject which he did in the House of Lords on Thursday last. Active communications are still proceeding between the different European cabinets. The marquis of Salisbury presided today at a special meeting of the cabinet at the foreign office.

Whether the solution of the imbroglio is peaceful or not depends entirely upon Greece, direction since the committees were formed. and the dispatch from Athens indicates that "Since January there have been changes resistance to the powers is still strong the famine outlook. The province of among all classes throughout Greece and Punjab, in parts of which famine was ap- that a declaration of war with Turkey would

The latest Greek proposal is said to be that ress in some of the southern districts. But, Greece should administer Crete as Austria n parts of the northwest provinces and in administers Bosnia. But it seems to be the central provinces and possibly also in agreed on all sides that peace can only be one or two districts of Bengal and Bombay, maintained by leaving Crete part of the

The marquis of Salisbury's proposals the whole population is already receiving gov. have been received with favor, not only by ernment relief and the proportion may ulti- the British, but by most of the continental mately reach thirty per cent. In previous newspapers. However, in the meanwhile, famines ten to fifteen per cent has been the military preparations are proceeding apace largest proportion of the whole population in Turkey and Greece, while everything is at the worst time over the whole area prepared in south Russia for the transport affected by famine. Three millions of peo- of a big Russian army to the Balkans when-

Telegrams from Vienna also declare that Emperor Francis Joseph has had repeated "I feel confident that the people of the conferences with the Austrian minister of United States, having pever been slow to war, that plans for the mobilization of Ausreply to appeals for help from this country, trian forces on the Balkan frontier have will, when the above facia are known to been drawn up and that horses are already According to advices from the small

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR RULES DEATH Balkan states, war preparations are proesecting there secretly; in short, all the to the death with revolvers, without seconds. Smyth that all preliminary proceedings. Cuban Authorities Insist He Died parties concerned are quite prepared for an ion any moment.

TRANSVAAL MATTERS. The action of the Volksraad, as cabled from Johannesburg yesterday, in adopting a law which, by any judgment of the high court, can be annulled by the Volksraad. rendering all contracts and concessions unsafe, has caused a great stir here. The matter arose out of a dispute between an American engineer, R. F. Brown, and the Transvaal government, with reference to a mining claim which Brown pegged out. The Volksraad, at the instance of the government, passed a law nullifying his claim. This law was decided by the high court on January 22 to be contrary to the constitution, and Brown, who had sued the government for a declaration of rights in his favor,

President Kruger has now procured from the Volksraad a law which prevents the Several papers believe the incident will lead judges from overruling any statute on the ground of constitutionality. The attorney The abscess on the emperor's knee has been try. General Weyler steadfastly opposed the general has stated that the new law will enable the Volksraad to confiscate the property without compensation, and his statement to the Herald: "The government be- ment concerning the rand has excited the a fortnight ago and his majesty was unable lieves that yielding everything will appease mining market. On the Stock exchange the wrath of the United States, unmindful frightened holders of various stocks are that that is just the way to make them exact throwing their shares on the market and heavy declines have ensued.

The British newspapers loudly denounce the news as intended to enable President except that of giving them prostige from the Kruger to "put the screw" on the rand is the event of a refusal of the government Canovas or any one else to execute the re- to pay the indemnity demanded for the forms. The rainy season will come and, Jameson raid. The papers point to the peace not having been achieved, the problem significant fact that lnasmuch as the new will thus be made more complex. Such con- rand law violates the London convention a battalien of the Suffolk regiment, numbering 750 men, has been ordered to Africa immediately.

JAMESON RAID INVESTIGATION. There is continued comment provoked by the free and easy way in which the par liamentary inquiry into the Jameson raid is being conducted. The committeemen, Colonel Cecil Rhodes and counsel have assumed the air of a pleasant family party, REQUESTS THE POPE TO MEDIATE. especially at lunch time, when the tables onere was without importance. He added that are strewn with sandwiches, whiskies and who died in prison under circumstances stout and sandwiches. Mr. Labouchere's which led to the report that he had been examination of the witness proceeded during the luncheon period, and, as the mouths in Athens telegraphs that the Roman of both were occasionally full of sandwiches. Catholic archbishop of Athens has sent Rhodes usually replies to questions with and prefacing his replies with friendly astdes.

The friendly attitude of Joseph Chambernies, towards Colonel Rhodes, is most all heavily armed, parading the streets of Mr. Chamberlain interjected that it would thus become a "privileged province." The witness said "Yes." It is pointed out that this phrase, "privileged province," has been repeatedly used to describe the intended future position of Crete, and Colonel Rhodes, during the inquiry, has never ceased to insist upon the Cretan analogy.

The House of Commons yesterday adopted supplementary naval estimate of £500,000, bringing the total expense of the navy during the present year to \$22,330,000. This enormous figure is nearly double the cost of the navy fifteen years ago.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN. Much attention has been attracted by the Russo-Japanese treaty, published in the official messenger this week. It gives both Russia and Japan the right to station a milltary force in Corea to protect their settlementa; the two parties agree to lend joint financial aid to Corea in case of necessity, and Russia reserves the right to construct a taken to Suda bay.

THE BEE BULLETIN.

Weather Forecast for rebably Showers 1. Princely Gift to Nation. Greece May Ha rete. sek Down. Joe Bartley is 1 creat. 2. State Constitut envention

sts Appeal. Bonacum and Foreclosure. President Clar! 4. Last Week in Conner opeial Circles. 5. Anti-Ticket-Scalping Bill Passes.

the Draw

Woodmen.

Deep Game at Politics, Objections to Forest Reserves. 6. Council Bluffs Local Matters. Warmer Weather in Nevada. 7. Amusement Notes and Gossip,

Iowa Man Too

3. Peace Among

Broken Bank May Pay Out. 8. Chronology of the Last Week. Water Question is Still Unsettled,

9. Gowns for the Inauguration Ceremony Why People Are Right Handed. 10. "The Mutable Many."

11. Woman: Her Ways and Her World. 12. Editorial and Comment.

13. Notes on the Critical Study of History 14. Commercial and Financial News. 15. Career of Lyman J. Gage.

17. Third Annual Cycle Show Forecast 18. Story of Wheel Clubs in Omaha. 19. Wheel Useful in Business. Reminiscences of Some Bygone Racing

History of the Bicycle Trade. 20. Popular Runs Out of Omaha. Taking Care of the Wheel. Mechanism of Your Mount.

21. Bicycle Ride at Paradise Gulch. Pneumatic Tires and the Trust.

22. Weekly Grist of Sporting Gossip. Wheelmen and the Road Problem 23. Expert Guesses on the Big Fight. 24. "Aaron in the Wild Woods."

elegraph line from Scoul to the frontier Corea retains full liberty in home and for eign affairs. Both Russia and Japan suppor the king, permanently assuring order. The British newspapers comment on the treaty and declare it virtually constitutes the substitution of Russia for China as the dominant power at Seoul.

The Saturday Review says: "There is no loubt that if Russia's military and naval of the sheriff. Mr. Bartley had been notified forces in the Pacific were not at the moment inferior to Japan's Corea would already have been formally appropriated. But Russia is playing a waiting game, and can afford to anxiety as to his whereabouts was expressed,

A story from Nice is published, according in conference with his bondsmen. A few o which society there is agitated by a scandal affecting an Austrian, Count Pechy, and court house and accepted service on the war-Chicagoan, Arthur Barciay. It appears rant, that during a game of bacarat, at the Mediterranean club, a dispute arose, in the course of which Count Pechy remarked that Stupid Americans who did not understand the game should not be aflowed to play the game." Mr. Barclay made a hot retort, for which the count demanded an apology. The gentleman from Chicago consented to apologize to the club, but refused to apologize to the count. The latter thereupon challenged Mr. Barclay, but the American's seconds decided that their man ought to apologize. In spite of this advice, the American sent a personal letter to the count, offering to fight him Count Pechy politely refused. The Mediterannean club

has closed its doors to Mr. Barclay. BITS OF THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

the High Hat Question.

LONDON, Feb. 27 .- The hat question is agitating Paris, where the theater managers are all anxious to abolish hats, but they are encountering many difficulties in the way of so doing. Sarah Bernhardt offers to unite with the other managers in an effective crusade against the obnoxious

The weather during most of the past week has been warm and springlike and flowers

have been blooming. The latest addition to the list of roya dramatists is Princess Charles of Denmark formerly Princess Maud of Wales, who had just finished a one-act comedietta, with which Ellen Terry is so enamored that Sir Henry Irving has accepted it for the

Lyceum theater. Ella Russell, the American prima donna will leave England next Saturday for America and immediately upon her arrival there will join the Grau Opera company at Chi cago, where she will be heard in a number of opera performances. Miss Russell will remain in America during the entire spring

and will be heard in the leading cities. The melodrama "A Free Pardon," has achieved but a limited success at the Olympic theater and will be superseded there by the naval drama, "The Marines of England," i which Lord Nelson is one of the characters Rehearsals are now in progress of "The American Beile," a comic opera by Hugh Seaton, for which Sibley Ward has written the music. The play will have its fire presentation at Cheltenham.

Mme. Patti appeared at Nice last Mon day night, February 22, in the new opera. 'Dolores," written and composed by M. Pol-

Make Moslems More Bold. NEW YORK, Feb. 27 .- A dispatch to the Herald from London says: A corresponden the encounter lacked dignity. Colonel dispatch to the pope asking his holiness to mediate between Greece and the powers and short lectures on empire making. He is states that the interposition of the powers now perfectly at home, smiling, nodding has had a had effect in that it has led the Moslems to believe that Europe is behind them in their combat with the Christians, As a result there are 8,000 Moslems fightlain, the secretary of state for the colo- ing besides the Turkish soldiers at Canea marked. A significant incident occurred the city and demanding the blood of the yesterday. When Colonel Rhodes was ex- Christian dogs who have dared to question plaining the position desired for the rand, the right of the Turks to rule them. The combined forces that have been landed by the several powers number only 800 men.

> More Attention Paid to France. HAVANA, Cuba, Feb. 27.-(New York World Cablegram - Special Telegram.)-Mariana Flamand, a French girl, 18 years old, was arrested in Santiago on the 12th on suspicion of having communicated with her lover, an insurgent. The French consul reported the case to his government and was told to demand her release. He did so and his demand was promptly granted. THOMAS G. ALVORD, JR.

> > Italians Stop a Greek Ship.

CANEA, Feb. 27 .- The Greek steame Theseus, after landing provisions and among nition at Platania for the Greeks, took or hoard 100 prisoners. It was stopped at

BARTLEY IS TAKEN

Criminal Proceedings Commenced Against Ex-State Treasurer.

UNDER ARREST FOR EMBEZZLEMENT

Charged with Taking the State Money for His Own Uses.

AMOUNT IS OVER HALF A MILLION Fourteen Counts in the Information Filed

Yesterday at Lincoln. SURRENDERS HIMSELF TO THE SHERIFF

Formality of Arrest Dispensed with by the Authorities and Bail Fixed and Furnished by the Prisoner.

LINCOLN, Feb. 27 .- (Special Telegram.)-

Ex-State Treasurer Joseph S. Bartley was

this afternoon placed under arrest, formally charged with the embezzlement of state funds to the amount of \$537,762.93. No formal arrest was made necessary, as Mr. Bartley, shortly after being notified by Sheriff Trompen that the warrant had been issued, walked to the sheriff's office at the court house and surrendered himself. Later in the day he gave bond and his case was continued. The arrest of the ex-treasurer created no surprise. It had been expected for some days past that prosecution would ensue. Some delay was occasioned by the exigencies of the case, but yesterday the attorney general announced his determination to take action today. The complaint prepared by Attorney General Smyth was filed with the judge of the county court of Lancaster county a few moments before noon today and the warrant issued and placed in the hands.

and sent word that he would be at the court

house to accept service at about 2 o'clock.

At that hour he had not arrived, but no

as it was known that he was busily engaged: moments after 3 o'clock he arrived at the

Ex-Treasurer Bartley was at the office of his attorneys, Harwood, Pettis & Ames, until after 12 o'clock tonight. County Judge Cochran came down from his residence and a. bond for \$50,000 was fixed up and signed. The names of these bondsmen were, on advice of the attorneys, refused to the press. representatives tonight. Judge Cochran refused to give them out and Bartley said he did not know the names of the whole list. Attorney W. S. Summers will be in the case for the defense. Bartley said that it had been once agreed with Attorney General at a distance not exceeding ten paces, and should be postponed until Thursday, March also to make a side bet of 400 francs, the 4, but that at 5 o'clock this evening he had nsisted on a bond and it had been exceedingly difficult to find bondsmen at that latehour. The matter was practically adjusted. out of court, as Attorney General Smyth left for Omaha on the 6:05 train and his deputy, EM P. Smith, was not present at. the adjustment. It is thought that this. bond given tonight is but a temporary oneand that another is to be given next Thurs-

> ent and the matter was arranged solely between Judge Cochran, Mr. Bartley and hisattorneys TERMS OF THE INDICTMENT

> day. County Attorney Munger was not pres-

The complaint under which the ex-treasirer was arrested comprises fourteen counts. in all and is signed by Attorney General C. J. Smyth. The first count charges Bartley with having on May 1, 1895, embezzled and converted to his own use the sum of \$180,-101.75. The second and third counts repeat this charge, the only changes made being in the wording so as to meet all the legal requirements. This amount was the sum appropriated by the last legislature to meet the deficiency in the sinking fund created by

Lincoln, in January, 1893. The fourth count of the complaint charges Bartley with having on January 7, 1897, converted to his own use and embezzled the sum of \$201,884.05, this being the amount of the warrant drawn by the auditor of public accounts for the principal and interest of the appropriation referred to in the first, second and third counts. The fifth and sixth counts relate to the embezzlement of the same money.

the failure of the Capital National bank in

The seventh count charges the ex-treasarer with the embezzlement of the sum of \$537,762.93, and the eighth count repeats the charge in different form. This is the total amount of money due to the state over and including the amount covered in the first six counts of the complaint.

The ninth count charges him with the emezzlement of the sum of \$335,878.08. This is. the amount due the state aside from the amount due on the sinking fund warrant above referred to. The tenth and eleventh ounts refer to the same charge.

Following are the signers of ex-State Treasurer Bartley's last official bond, together with the amount for which they

qualified:	
Nathan S. Harwood	 \$200,000
F. M. Cook	 100,000
A. B. Clark	
John H. Ames	
Charles A. Hanna	
Mary Fitzgerald	 300,000
Ed J. Fitzgerald	 200,000
C. C. McNish	 120,000
E. E. Brown	 200,000
Thomas Swobe	 100,000
Cadet Taylor	 25,000
W. A. Paxton	 300,000

AFFAIRS AT THE PENITENTIARY.

ernor and He Stirs Up the Senate. LINCOLN, Feb. 27 .- (Special.)-The senate had a warm session this forenoon without accomplishing any marked results. There was an evident desire to crowd business more rapidly than in the past, but as the "erowding" was undertaken without leadership every senator crowded in a different direction. As a result there was a great deal of confusion. - Thirty senators signed a communication to the president of the senate asking for a strict enforcement of the rules for the remainder of the session. The presiding officer stated that he would do what he could to enforce order in the future. The rules which the senators arked to be enforced are Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11. The rules all relate to decorum

n debate. Mr. Lee sent to the accretary's deak and Draponia by an Italian war ship and was had read a letter written by Warden Leidigh to Governor Holcomb calling attention to