

IT ENDS IN A LAUGH

Parliamentary Inquiry Into the Jameson Raid Becomes a Farce.

JAMESON AND WILLOUGHBY ARE HEROES

Openly Boast Their Connection with the Infamous Incursion.

CROWDS FROM THE COUNTRY IN LONDON

Thousands from the North Come to See Football and Fight.

QUEER RESULTS OF COURT TRIALS

Three Libel Suits Heard During the Week Illustrate the Vagaries of Justice by Their Widely Varying Outcomes.

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LONDON, April 10.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—The farce of the Jameson raid inquiry ends in general hilarity, and Dr. Jameson and Colonel Sir John Willoughby are the most popular two men in England today.

They made no bones at the last of boasting that if they had succeeded, all would have been endorsed by the imperial authorities. Failure has cost Sir John his commission and Jameson his income, but that will not be long.

Major Healey's appearance in the witness chair furnished the most interesting episode of the committee hearing yesterday. He is an Irish-American, who, as was first exclusively stated in these dispatches at the time, carried the dispatch from the Johannesburg reform committee to Dr. Jameson on the frontier, forbidding him to enter the Transvaal. In appearance and manner Healey fulfills the ideal of a soldier of fortune and stands out as the one member of the revolutionary band who entered into the affair in a spirit of pure adventure.

The committee immediately recognized this. He gave his evidence with such nonchalant candor that his interrogators were instantly disarmed.

GANDOR CONVULSES THE COMMITTEE. He testified that when he delivered his dispatch to Dr. Jameson, the latter's laconic reply was: "Well, I am going in, all the same. Will you come with me?"

The sudden transformation from an emissary of peace into a promoter of war convulsed the committee, and especially as Major Healey obviously thought it was the most natural thing in the world. The committee has adjourned for some weeks.

The horde of war correspondents already hovering about the shores of the Aegean sea, awaiting hostilities, has been reinforced by Hon. William Peel, the eldest son of Viscount Peel, formerly speaker of the House of Commons, who has gone out to join the Timar staff.

London's main streets present a curious and typical appearance today. Thousands upon thousands of strange faces were to be seen in these thoroughfares up to 2 p. m., their owners dressed in every conceivable English costume.

QUEER THINGS IN COURT. The vagaries of English justice were queerly illustrated by three verdicts this week.

WELLESLEY'S FAMILY AFFAIRS. The divorce obtained by Colonel Fred Wellesley, uncle of Lord Cowley, and a grand-nephew of the great duke of Wellington (whose own domestic affairs recently occupied the courts) transferred from paper, were really not drawn on the stone floor.

SHAKEUP IN EUROPE

Several Shiftings Now Impend on the Political Chess Board.

READJUSTMENT OF PRESENT AFFILIATIONS

Break Likely to Occur in Relations Between France and Russia.

ITALY PRACTICALLY OUT OF DREIBUND

Germany, Russia and Austria About to Form an Alliance.

FRANCE IS TOO FICKLE FOR THE CZAR

Great Britain, France and Italy Are Likely to Pull Together in the Near Future—Other Political Moves.

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BERLIN, April 10.—There is understood on good authority that another shifting on the political chess board of Europe is imminent.

RECALS A PLAGUE SPOT. One of the darkest spots on the seamy side of London West End life has been momentarily illuminated by the accidental flash-light of police court proceedings.

On the other hand the czar and his advisers are said to be decided that France is too fickle for a reliable ally, and on the best of authority the Associated press is informed that an entente, which will perhaps be followed later by a formal alliance later in the spring and summer will be reached between Germany, Russia and Austria.

EMPEROR SNUBS BISMARCK. The fact, which has now become known in spite of reports to the contrary, that Emperor William sent neither a message of congratulation or other greetings to Bismarck on his birthday has been generally and severely commented upon by the German press.

QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE. LONDON, April 10.—It has been decided to celebrate the queen's diamond jubilee by simultaneously lighting bonfires on hills around the coast at 10 o'clock on the day of the sixtieth anniversary of her accession to the throne.

COMMERCIAL CODE. LONDON, April 10.—The commercial code, adopted by the Reichstag on April 7, constitutes the second part of the scheme of monumental legislation inaugurated by the passage of the civil code last July.

AMERICANS ENDOW A HOSPITAL. LONDON, April 10.—The Americans of this city have formed a committee to promote a jubilee fund to endow a hospital for charitable purposes.

DEMONSTRATION AGAINST GERMANY. LONDON, April 10.—A dispatch from Capetown this morning says that Admiral Rawlins, commander of the British squadron in South African waters, will sail shortly with sealed orders in the direction of Delagoa bay.

PERU SUSPENDS SILVER COINAGE. LIMA, Peru, April 10.—The Peruvian government has suspended the coinage of silver at the government mint and has issued a prohibition against the importation of silver coins after May 10 next.

HILL DENIES THE CONSOLIDATION. LONDON, April 10.—The Pall Mall Gazette says that J. J. Hill, president of the Great Northern railway, denies that his road has entered into an alliance with the Northern Pacific.

AS TO DELAGOA BAY. LONDON, April 10.—The report has been further denied that the British government has proposed to take possession of Inyanga island in Delagoa bay.

YVETTE GUILBERT DENIES. LONDON, April 10.—Yvette Guilbert denies the rumor that she is about to marry a wealthy American.

DECLARATION OF WAR

Hostilities Said to Have Been Declared Between Turkey and Greece.

SITUATION AT ATHENS VERY CRITICAL

Today is the Anniversary of a Horrible Massacre of Greeks.

RECOLLECTION MAY SET PEOPLE AFLEAME

Rouses Them to Such an Extent That They Will Not Withdraw.

TURKEY EAGER TO ATTACK GREECE

Anxious to Teach a Lesson to King George's Subjects—Expects the Powers to Acquiesce in the Chastisement.

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LONDON, April 11.—A dispatch to the Observer from Rome says that it was reported at midnight that war had been declared between Turkey and Greece.

ATHENS, April 10.—Midnight—A report has been received from Larissa to the effect that the insurgents have occupied Balitino, besieging 800 Turks in the barracks.

A telegram from Larissa, dated at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon says the insurgents fought an engagement with the Turks. Three posts, Phoenicia, Penitentia and Scafohassia, were abandoned by the Turks.

RETIMO, Crete, April 10.—6 p. m.—Desultory fighting occurred all day today in the environs of Candia.

WAR CLOUDS HOVERING NEAR. Situation in the East Appears More Critical Than Ever.

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The authorities of Scotland Yard have finally untangled a large conspiracy to blackmail men in high social position in the West End, which has been successful for years past, owing to the fact that the culprit presumes to be an act of unparagonable rudeness.

Lettie Collins, who in private life is Mrs. Charles Cooney, has brought action against one of the weekly papers for an alleged libel which appeared in its issue of December 5.

Said to Be Making Every Effort to Stop the Working of the Paris Correspondent of the Times says: "A friend who knows and likes the king of Greece, and who is well acquainted with his views on the present complications, assures me that King George has made and is making every effort to prevent war."

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MAKING WAR ON THE TRANSVAAL.

Salisbury Determined to Have Trouble with Oem Paul.

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It was semi-officially reported during the week that two more regiments have been notified to prepare for service in South Africa, and negotiations are pending with Scotch ship owners for four transports, to be ready at the end of June.

Using President Kruger has courted the British general, Lieutenant Eloff, for though insulting language toward Queen Victoria, the most bitter comments can be heard in the clubs and among the better class of people against President Kruger, who it is asserted, has done as much as Lieutenant Eloff to insult the queen.

The liberals are evidently beginning to scent coming troubles and are raising up a warning finger. Truth on this subject says: "There is serious danger that we shall drift into war with the Transvaal."

The visit of King Leopold of Belgium to London has for its object, it is now supposed, the conclusion of a contract by the terms of which a syndicate rents for a number of years the king's splendid chateau in Ardenne, and park are exquisitely attractive and the king is to build a large hotel adjoining the chateau.

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Late Legislature's Life Devoted to the Political Issues.

WORKS TO SECURE POPLIST ADVANTAGE

Sixty Days Spent on Measures of Only Party Interest.

GENERAL ISSUES PUSHED TO ONE SIDE

Clear Track for Anything Backed by the Popocratic Leaders.

BRIEF REVIEW OF THE RECENT SESSION

Main Points of the Principal Bills That Passed Both Houses and Intent of Some That Failed.

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