

Political and Social News of the Old World Reported by Special Cable and Correspondence

KITCHENER TO GO AS INDIA'S RULER

Great Soldier Will Be Made Viceroy After Short Service on the Mediterranean.

STRONG HAND NEEDED IN EMPIRE

Easterners Show Signs of Revolt at Present Strongly.

RUBBER STRETCHES INTO GOLD

Many London Plungers Win Large Profits in States.

CHURCH DIGNITARY IS COMING

Head of Roman Catholic Organization in England Will Visit to America During the Summer.

BY PAUL LAMBETH.

LONDON, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—Field Marshal Lord Kitchener, after serving a short time as commander-in-chief of the forces in the Mediterranean, will go to India as viceroy. That is the gossip current in high circles concerning the great soldier who has just returned home from the United States.

The situation in the Indian empire has been growing steadily worse and it has become imperative that the power of the English government shall be in the hands of a strong, cool-headed man whom the Indians both fear and respect. Just such a man is Lord Kitchener. There is high authority for saying that if Kitchener does not become viceroy of India it will be because he cannot be induced to accept the post.

Lord Kitchener is not what may be called an enthusiastic man, but he is as nearly enthusiastic as he gets to be in speaking of America.

The great soldier smiled rather grimly when I asked him for an expression of his opinion of the United States. "I am rather shy of interviewers," he said, "after my experience in Chicago. I may say, though, that I was most favorably impressed with the American people and the American country. There are wonderful possibilities in both, and from the little I was able to see I am inclined to believe these possibilities are being fully developed.

"West Point is a great institution. It is as nearly an ideal institution for the education of officers as can be had. The American officers whom I had the pleasure of meeting demonstrate its efficiency. I hope some day to make another visit to America and make a longer stay.

Princess a Gracious Lady.

A gracious little set was performed in a street in Windsor the other day. A girl of some 10 years of age, belonging to the poorer classes, was sent out with a perambulator containing a baby. Owing to some accident, the girl managed to run the perambulator off the curb and to overturn it. The tiny occupant was most frightened but hurt and crying. She was stopped by a lady passing by, who, recognizing the girl as the daughter of a friend, took the baby from it and comforted it in her arms until its cries ceased and it fell asleep. Then the lady sent the child on her way with a silver coin to console her for the fright she had received. The lady's name was not given, but it is supposed to be the "little mother" is probably ignorant of the fact to this moment.

Results of Rubber Boom.

When the romance of the rubber boom comes to be written it will be found that practically every class, from royalty to policemen, has profited—some, indeed, beyond the dreams of avarice. The demand for law and the south sea bubble have been surpassed. Up to now there are no losers, for the shares have gone steadily upward with little variation, but what the future has in store nobody knows. Some of the fortunes amassed are almost incredible. One Broad Street firm of stock jobbers is stated to have made \$500,000 in the last six months. The prominent financier bought 90,000 shares at 25 and sold them at 40, thus clearing the substantial sum of \$750,000. An amazing instance of good fortune befell a man who was asked a few years ago for a loan of \$250. "I have lost money heavily," the borrower remarked at the time, "but I will give you the title deeds of a rubber estate, although I do not suppose they are worth much." That loan of \$250, which was not repaid, was one of the most profitable financial transactions ever made. The lender has disposed of the rubber estates to a company and has made a profit of \$1,000,000. Another surprising piece of good fortune befell a man who was bequeathed \$25,000 a few months ago. He was to invest the money in consols, but he told his broker, who the broker strongly advised him to put the whole sum into rubber. He followed the advice and made \$250,000, which is now safely invested in consols. A city man who had invested in rubber plantations years ago left his properties worth some \$100,000 a year, to his widow. The tax since increased her income to \$350,000 annually. In many towns around London it is not unusual to find twenty to thirty families who have made modest fortunes from rubber.

Archbishop to Cross.

The archbishop of Westminster, head of the Roman Catholic church in England, has signified his intention of attending the Eucharistic congress to be held in Montreal in September. It is probable that he will be accompanied by the duke of Norfolk. While in Canada this distinguished party will visit Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton, Niagara Falls and other important places. The archbishop has accepted the invitation extended by President Charles M. Hayes for himself and wife to be the guests of the Grand Trunk on their Canadian tour.

Miss Helen Gladstone, youngest daughter of the great Liberal statesman, has broken, although her colleagues hope she has not entirely severed her connections with the work. Miss Gladstone has gone to live at the home of her father in order to devote herself to social work in one of the poor quarters of South London.

Over 2,000,000 of Spindles and about 12,000 looms are being stopped or only running short time in Manchester and surrounding districts owing to trade dislocation through the continued high price of cotton.

DRIFT IS TO OBERAMMERGAU

Tide of Tourists Already Sets Toward Little Town.

X-RAY SNAPSHOTS NOW IN VOGUE

Process Developed Until an Exposure of One-Thousandth of a Second Gets the Closest of Details.

BY MALCOLM CLARKE.

BERLIN, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—The tide of travel already has set in towards Oberammergau and throughout the summer all roads in Germany will lead to the place where every ten years the Passion Play is produced. The first public performance will be held on May 15 and many Americans now in Europe will be at Oberammergau on that date. It is estimated that before the last performance, September 25, more than 25,000 American visitors will have seen the famous play.

An effort was made to have former President Roosevelt so change his plans that he could go to Oberammergau. He expressed much regret that it would be impossible for him to do so, but it was absolutely necessary that he should adhere to his original program.

Everything is in readiness to meet Mr. Roosevelt when he arrives in Berlin next week. The Berliners are determined that their reception shall exceed anything the former president of the United States has seen in Europe and to set a mark which cannot be equalled in London.

Waiting for the Colonel.

No visit of royalty has come anywhere near creating the interest in the German capital, which is felt in the coming of Mr. Roosevelt. He does not intend to repeat the mistake of the present generation. There are a few discordant notes, chiefly among the ultra-conservative aristocrats who are rather stung at the showing of royal honors on a plain American minister, but the attitude of the Kaiser himself whatever open criticism there might be from this source.

X-Ray Snapshots.

It is reported from Erlangen that snapshot photographs can now be taken by means of X-rays. Doctors will, therefore, no longer find it necessary to wait several seconds before the picture is complete. The second fraction of a second one thousandth) which is all that is now required there can be no movement of the patient that will affect the picture. The results obtained with the new method are very good, details such as the heart and ribs in radiographs of the human body being very clearly seen.

Waterway Through Europe.

A waterway through the heart of Europe, joining the North Sea to the Mediterranean and passing through Holland, Germany, Switzerland and France, will be an accomplished fact within the next few years. Navigation is to be opened on the Rhone, between Geneva and Marseilles, and it has been decided to construct a barrage and a parallel canal to the Rhone at Gexiat, an hour's journey by train from Geneva. The work will be completed in 1913.

"The river route" from Geneva to Basle is to be extended via the lakes of Nouchatel, Morat and Biene and the River Aar, which flows into the Rhine. The North Sea is already connected with Basle by the Rhine Highway.

Waited Long and Faithfully.

After waiting forty-six years for her lover, Frau Inge Singen, aged 67, was united at Alford to her fiance, Herr Staw, who is as old as she. The couple left for the Argentine on their honeymoon trip. They knew each other as school children and became engaged at the age of 15, when Herr Staw left Switzerland for South America to seek his fortune. The couple corresponded regularly and exchanged over 2,000 letters and scores of photographs.

Unwritten Law Slayer Cheered

Popular Acclaim Greeted Major McLean at Trial for Killing Daughter's Perfidious Suitor.

CAPE TOWN, May 7.—(Special to The Bee.)—The unwritten law played a vital part in the recent trial which resulted in the killing of Major Ronald McLean, a retired army officer of Jack Barone, alias John Guy Watson, in Barone, to whom his daughter, Lillian, had become engaged. Miss McLean made deceased's acquaintance when on a visit to her sister and brother-in-law at Burgersdorp. She returned to her father's house and shortly after introduced Barone to her father, Mr. Watson, her brother-in-law, who had done his utmost to prevent the engagement, made inquiries regarding Barone, and discovered that he was married. He informed Major McLean, who made investigations on his own account, with the result that he forbade his daughter to have anything more to do with Barone. Witnesses were brought forward to prove that Barone was a bookmaker, who had been warned off race courses, a car-sharper, and a notoriously bad character, who was known by the police to keep company with tax-evasists, recognized thieves, and other suspicious persons. The infuriated young lady, however, refused to believe her father's statements as to her suitor's character, and decided to give him up and marry him clandestinely. Her father met them together and shot the man, inflicting a fatal wound. He was acquitted amidst cheers.

THRUSH DRIVES OFF A CAT

Fight Between Bird and Beast Ends Disastrously for the Latter.

LONDON, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—A fight between a thrush and a cat, which had begun upon its nest of young ones, was witnessed at Victoria park, Doyon, by a big crowd. The nest, and with her young was in the nest, to which the male thrush had returned with a worm in his mouth, which he observed a cat in a neighboring tree. He at once flew to the cat, and attacked it with beak and wings open, striking again and again at the animal's head. The cat eventually got down the tree and onto a wall. Here the bird again attacked the cat, which nearly fell from the wall several times to avoid the onslaught and eventually slunk away.

TURKS TO CORNER ANGORA.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—It is proposed to forbid the exportation to America and Australia of the famous Angora goats, whose wool is used for the manufacture of mohair. The Turkish minister of the interior is drawing up regulations on the subject.

CZAR REBUILDING FIGHTING FORCES

Russia's Ruler Takes Active Personal Interest in His New Army and Navy.

LOOKS FOR GREAT WAR SOON

Expects to See Europe Stirred by a Bloody Conflict.

RUSSIA'S COMING WHEAT CROP

Prospect that Yield Will Exceed Last Year's.

MOSCOW CARD SHARPER'S TRICK

Little Phosphorus on Back of Cards Enables Him to Bet Certainty on the Hands Played.

BY GEORGE FRASER.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—The czar is taking an active personal interest in the reorganization of the Russian army and navy. All the plans of the committee of defense are placed before his majesty and are gone over in detail by him. He makes frequent changes and alterations in the plans suggested and is showing an aptitude for organization which is amazing.

It is stated on high authority that the czar is firmly convinced that a great European war will fix the relations between the great powers for a generation. Such a clash, he believes, must come before the dream which led him to call the first Hague peace conference can become a reality. He is determined that when the test comes Russia will be in a state of readiness and will be able to play her part and make sure her position. He holds himself more or less responsible for the disaster which overtook Russia's armies in the late war with Japan in that he permitted himself to be deceived as to the state of preparedness of Russia and Japan. He does not intend to repeat the mistake.

As I pointed out in a previous letter, Russia is to have a thoroughly up-to-date air fleet. The War department, with the personal approval of the czar, has asked for bids for a fleet of dirigibles, which in number and size and speed will be fully equal to that of Germany. It is said that a private contract has already been made with the Wright brothers for a number of aeroplanes.

The Russian wheat crop promises to be abundant this year. There is a great increase in the area sown, varying from 2.5 per cent in the seventy-three districts known as the Russian government's to 17 per cent in the central Asiatic district over the area under wheat last year. All indications point to an abundant harvest and a record yield. Last year's crop, despite the poor harvest, yielded 5,500,000 tons of wheat. The Roumanian crop is also in fine shape, with an increase of 15 per cent in the area sown.

The remarkable trick of a Moscow card-sharper, who for thirty years past has played for high stakes in the chief clubs has been revealed. He has made a full confession. Explaining that his eyes were weak he invariably wore dark spectacles in the evening. He generally took part in a game called bank, in which the eight and nine in each suit are the chief cards. In his waistcoat pocket he kept a preparation of phosphorus and by touching the backs of the cards which he wished to mark he rendered them slightly luminous. By means of his dark spectacles he recognized them, whereas nothing was apparent to the other players. After a few deals he would play with absolute certainty and, of course, win large sums.

TROLLEY CARS STALLED BY CHANTICLER HAT

Geneva's Street Railway System is Locked by Throng Gathering to Look at Headgear.

GENEVA, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—A fashionable young woman started out on a walk from her hotel at Geneva wearing a huge chanticler hat crowned by a stuffed cock. In a short time she was joined by the gamins, whose whistling and noise attracted a further crowd, and the young woman ran through the principal streets to get rid of her tormentors.

Taking a wrong turning, however, she entered a blind passage, while the crowd increased in number. Eventually a strong squad of gendarmes arrived, placed the young lady in a closed carriage and dispersed the crowd. She was driven to her hotel, uninjured, but her hat and robe were ruined. Owing to the crowd the tram service was delayed fifteen minutes.

PRIEST SAVES CHURCH GOLD

Holy Father Battles with Robbers and Lays Out Two—Armed with Candlestick.

LISBON, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—Hearing strange noises in the night, the priest in charge of a church at Alvoraya, near Alentejo, proceeded to investigate. He discovered four masked men busily packing all the gold and silver ornaments into sacks.

The men immediately rushed at the priest, but the latter, a powerful man, snatched up a large candlestick and defended himself gallantly. Two of the bandits were knocked senseless, but a third crept behind the priest and stabbed him in the back.

By this time people living near, aroused by the noise, were clamoring for admission, and two of the robbers fled, leaving their comrades behind. The priest is not expected to recover.

HONORED BY THOUSANDS.

The death of Don Rua, successor of Don Bosco, founder and general of the Salesians, stirred all Italy, and his funeral in Turin was followed by 300,000 persons. Prefect general of the Salesian society since 1895, Rua lived in closest intimacy with one of the greatest lights of the church in the nineteenth century. On the death of the founder in 1888 the Salesians numbered 800, today they are over 4,000, they had then about 150 houses of education for boys, they have now 200.

RECEPTION FOR PEARY.

Rome is preparing to receive with honor another distinguished American in the person of Captain R. E. Peary, discoverer of the North pole. Captain Peary's reception, while not as spectacular as that of President Roosevelt will be cordial and hearty. Captain Peary is to give his lecture on the dawn for the pole Tuesday before the Geographical society and will be decorated with the gold medal of the society at the same time. He will be the guest of Marquis Capelli, president of the Geographical society while in Rome and will be granted an audience by the king. The duke of the Abruzzi, himself an arctic explorer of renown, will greet the famous American.

The home municipality has decided to take action in regard to the famous bronze equestrian statue of Marcus Aurelius on the Capitol. For a matter of centuries water has collected in gradually increasing quantities in the body of the horse, to the detriment of the metal, and the authorities have now gravely decided upon an operation to draw it off.



Palace Preparation Practice. From the Washington Star.

MORE AMERICAN CARDINALS

At Least Two Should Be Added to Aid Gibbons.

CHURCHMEN HOPE FOR THIS MUCH

Archbishops Ireland and Farley Are Said to Be in High Favor, and May Yet Get the Prized Red Hat.

BY CLEMENT J. BARRETT.

ROME, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—The next consistory will be held in June and a round dozen of prelates, it is said, will be raised to the princely rank of cardinal. Will there be any Americans among these new princes of the church? That question is asked not only among the Americans here, but those among other nationalities as well. And you may get any answer that best suits you. It is said in some quarters that there will certainly be two new American cardinals named and some of the enthusiastic American churchmen go so far as to say that Archbishop Ireland of St. Paul and Archbishop Farley of New York are the men upon whom the red hat will be conferred.

In other quarters it is declared that it has been definitely decided to make no new American cardinals.

Two Cardinals for America.

In speaking with an American churchman recently he said: "There is every reason why there should be at least two more cardinals in the United States. As a matter of fact, the American church, by reason of its activity and numbers, have at least half a dozen cardinals. I am very confident the United States will be substantially represented at the next consistory, not only as a matter of justice, but to satisfy the feeling aroused over the unfortunate Roosevelt affair. It is admitted, though, of course not publicly, that Cardinal Del Val made a blunder in presenting the audience to Mr. Roosevelt. It has become known that this opinion is very adversely held by both clergy and laity in America, and the dissatisfaction aroused by the cardinal secretary of state's action has become known to the pope. This feeling, I am sure, has very greatly increased the chances for the naming of Americans for the highest honor in the church under the pope. I am confident when the list of new cardinals is announced the names of archbishops Ireland and Farley will be found.

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John Redmond Will Come Over in September

Intends Being Present at the Next Session of the United Irish Land League in America.

BY THOMAS EMMETT.

DUBLIN, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—John Redmond has definitely decided to attend the meeting of the United Irish league in America next September. He will be accompanied by Joseph Devlin, T. P. Connor and perhaps other Nationalist leaders. Mr. Redmond feels that the struggle for Irish freedom would have been hopeless but for the aid of the American Irish and he wishes to show Ireland's appreciation by being present at the meeting.

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The amount spent yearly on hunting in Ireland, according to Mr. Farber, M. P. H., is \$2,500,000.

Ireland, he said, was hunted by sixty-five packs of foxhound, harrier and stag-hounds, with 1,800 couples of dogs. The number of horses kept in connection with the hunt establishments was at least 60 and he estimated the cost of maintaining these horses and dogs at \$200,000 a year. That sum did not include master's expenses.

At a low computation the rent and maintenance of covert and cost of earth-stopping door-finding would amount to \$2,000 a year. Quite 3,700 people hunted with the packs, each of whom would spend at the lowest \$200 on their horses, hunting outfit, subscriptions, and traveling, making a total of \$1,870,000.

The expenditure for the whole of the United Kingdom, said Mr. Farber, has been estimated at over \$4,000,000. Irish hunting representatives have been before the estates commissioners urging them to do whatever is possible to prevent the occurrence of anything which might militate against the existence of the sport in Ireland. The commissioners were most cordial and desired it to be known that they were not responsible for the increase of wire entanglements in lands which had been divided under recent land legislation. As a matter of fact, they were opposed to such fences, but they had no control over the new tenants, once the land was vested in them. The deputation considered the interview most satisfactory, and Lord Fingall thanked the commissioners. In conversation with a Herald correspondent, several hunting men pointed out that the use of wire had been growing lately, and it was feared that many wealthy Americans and Englishmen would cease to come to Ireland for the sport. However, the assurances received from the estates commissioners, who virtually represent the government, are expected to have a good effect.

From the south there come complaints that between "Irish" steam trawlers, and the American tariff on Irish fish, a once flourishing industry is in danger of extinction. The spring mackerel fishery at Kilmalee is, according to one southern newspaper, practically a lost industry, and an appeal is made to the department to come to the rescue before it is too late.

Swiss to Use Guillotine.

Lucerne, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—At last the Lucerne authorities have unseated a diseased guillotine with which to carry out the sentence of death on a murderer, Matthias Muff. They now require an executioner. If he is found, Fribourg will ask for the same guillotine and executioner for a murderer named Mallard. For twelve years no capital punishment has taken place in Switzerland.

MOURN FOR THE DEAD POET

Sorrow for Bjornstjerne Felt Throughout All Scandinavia.

DANISH POLITICS IS WARMING UP

Government Appeals to the Electors for a Majority, the Voting to Take Place Next Week.

BY ERIC GRUNDMARK.

COPENHAGEN, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—Denmark, in fact all Scandinavia, is in mourning over the death of Bjornstjerne, the "Hugo of the North." Grief over the death of the greatest of Scandinavian writers has tempered in some degree the joy of the reception to Mr. Roosevelt. Notwithstanding, however, Denmark's greeting was sincere and cordial, as was that of both Norway and Sweden.

The political situation is critical. The Radical cabinet, of which M. Zahle is chief, has had no success during the Rysdang session recently ended. The government party is in a minority, and will try to obtain a majority by an appeal to the electors. The elections will take place on May 20. It is not, however, probable that any change in the situation will result.

Autographs on Window Pane.

A collection of imperial and royal autographs on a pane of glass has been given by King Haakon to the museum at Copenhagen. The pane originally belonged to a window of the royal Danish express, and a great many years ago the Emperor Alexander III engraved his name on it with his diamond ring. His example was followed by the present czar, the late King Christian, King Edward, Queen Alexandra, King Haakon, King George of Greece and Queen Victoria of Spain.

Pure Food Agitation.

Much indignation has been aroused by a report of the Swedish board of sanitation, which has just been issued. The members of the board had been for some time engaged in analyzing samples of the tea for sale in the markets and it seems that many of the brands were adulterated to an incredible extent, some even containing quantities of live insects.

Six Years in Arctic.

Captain Haald Amundsen has about completed his plans for his next Arctic trip. He expects to be in the regions of ice for six or seven years, perhaps longer. In speaking of the trip Captain Amundsen says: "I may reach the geographical pole, in fact, I expect I will. This, however, is not the object of the expedition, which is to make a careful and comprehensive study of the currents, temperature and sea life of the Arctic region. We will go north from San Francisco next spring in the Fram, the famous ship used by Nansen and drift with the ice until we come out at Greenland. The expedition will be fitted out with the best and most modern instruments and should contribute most valuable material to the world of science."

Another voyage of exploration in which Norway has an active interest is now under way.

Exploring Atlantic.

The steamer Michael Sars, with a scientific party on board, is now exploring the bed of the Atlantic ocean. Sir John Murray, who assisted in the famous Challenger expedition in 1872, is the leader, assisted by a Norwegian scientist, the king of Norway having also lent the steamer, which has been specially fitted at great cost for the work.

The investigations are expected to last four months and will comprise a study of the ocean bed and fish fisheries from the Bay of Hecy to Mogador, then to Newfoundland and northern Europe. Not only are the investigations of great scientific importance, but they are expected to be profitable commercially by opening up new fishing grounds.

PARIS PICKS OUR NEXT PRESIDENT

French Capital Citizens Nominate and Elect Colonel Roosevelt by Acclamation.

ELIXIR OF LIFE PAYS HIM WELL

Dr. Doyen Has Patients from All Over the World.

MOVING PICTURES OF SURGERY

Queer Idea of Entertainment Comes Under Notice.

OUTCOME OF AN EVENING'S FUN

Husband Loses Wife Shaking Dice and She Consents to the Transfer, Leaving Him in the Cold.

BY PAUL VILLIERS.

PARIS, May 7.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—Whatever may be the feeling in America on the question, Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, so far as the Paris idea of it is worth anything, is to be the next president of the United States. Newspaper men, diplomats and statesmen with hardly an exception are firmly convinced not only that Mr. Roosevelt will be a candidate for the presidency in 1912, but that he will be elected most enthusiastically.

In justice it must be said that this impression has been gained by nothing said or done while the distinguished American was in Paris. It is simply the French way of looking at it. Any man in France with the unbounded popularity of Mr. Roosevelt, and who has the honors showered upon him, that have come to the former president, since his arrival in Europe, could no more have been kept from the highest office in the gift of the people than a match touched to petrol could have avoided producing flame. Among the Americans the Paris Roosevelt presidential boom has caused some amusement.

Dr. Doyen's Success.

Dr. Doyen, whose "elixir of life" has set all Europe talking, is generally considered to be the best of all modern medical men in the world. In Paris it is proverbial that it is impossible for a healthy man to get an interview with him. His patients come from all parts of the world; men and women from as far as South America and New Zealand, afflicted with the dread disease of cancer, have made their way to Paris to consult him.

All his operations are conducted in his private hospital in a six-storied building in the Rue Duret, where he employs a large staff of trained nurses and a number of experienced doctors. Of recent years Dr. Doyen has had all his more important surgical operations performed at a public hospital, where he has made a name for himself as a surgeon. An enterprising firm, refusing to regard their responsibilities in a scientific spirit, had a number of films reproduced and sold to various managers for the edification of European audiences.

One Parisian lady, anxious to provide a novel dinner entertainment for her guests, had a cinematograph operation performed at her house. These displays threatened to become fashionable until, on one occasion, a lady who had just undergone an operation, happened to be present. At a party where the cinematograph, curiously enough, proceeded to give a representation of her own sufferings. Afterwards Dr. Doyen sold the film makers and claimed \$40,000 damages.

Lost His Wife by Dieing.

The Paris police are puzzled over a peculiar case. M. Castmir Marteau, a draughtsman, had been present at a kind of "circular tour" of the cafes the other night and sampled everything in sight. Three friends helped diligently in the process. The question of individual liability for the refreshments was settled by the dice box, the game chosen being the favorite "sambar." At midnight M. and Mme. Marteau, still escorted by the three friends, all severely "under the weather," returned to their home.

Here one of the visitors made an unwelcome communication. "Marteau," he said, "you staked your wife in a 'sambar' with Bouleau and lost. As a man of honor, you should now retire." This expeditious divorce chez le marchand de vin did not appeal to Marteau and he said so with emphasis. His friends, however, were believers in the Bismarckian axiom, "La force prime le droit." M. Marteau un-derstand later shot down the stairs head first. After that he was "united." The result of five hours' chilly reflection on a bench on the boulevards was that he decided to appeal to the commissioner of police. The latter provided him with an escort of a couple of policemen and with their aid the door was forced. M. Marteau, unfortunately, found that whatever might be his opinion on the "sambar divorce," his wife had none. She had accepted the situation. M. Bouleau was also convinced of the rights conferred upon him by the dice box that he showed irritability at being disturbed to the extent of kicking one policeman and biting another. The result: M. Bouleau is now reflecting over matters at the depot and M. Marteau is asking his friends to recommend an