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Political and Social News by Cable and Correspondence from the Old World

JOHN BULL MAY FIGHT MORMONS

Awaits the Action of Germany and Austria Before Moving Against Them.

DATA IS BEING GATHERED

Many Mormon Missionaries Are Now Working in England.

MORMONS DENY ALLEGATIONS

Say They Are All False from Beginning to End.

COINS ARE WASHED INTO VIEW

Tidal Wave Drives Away the Sand and Exposes Hundreds of Coins, Many of Which Are Very Antique.

BY PAUL LAMBETH.

LONDON, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—It is possible that England may enter upon a crusade against Mormon propagandists, provided that Germany and Austria co-operate.

The police headquarters in the principal towns and cities throughout the kingdom have received special instructions from the home office to ascertain and report all available facts regarding Mormon propaganda, and Mormon activities in their respective districts. The home secretary has also communicated with the British embassies and legations in continental capitals for information regarding the manner in which Mormon missionaries are dealt with in other countries.

There are said to be several hundred Mormon missionaries in this country, forty of whom are in this city, according to the Rev. E. H. Scott, vicar of St. Peter's South Tottenham, whose residence is near the new "Deseret." Mormon headquarters in London are in the Strand, and the missionaries are dealt with in other countries.

The wife, daughter or maid, as the case may be, answers the door to find herself greeted by two well dressed young men. The callers prove to be glib, pleasant-spoken men, whose accents betray them to be Americans. She is informed that the Church of Latter Day Saints is conducting a mission in the district, and asked whether she will accept a tract. A scrutiny of the leaflets proves them to be innocent affairs, despite their faulty theology.

"The visit is a most pleasant one to others at discreet intervals. Not a word is mentioned, however, about polygamy.

"Before long the sister is informed that a little devotional meeting, with light refreshments afterwards, will be held at "Deseret" on a certain evening, and she is cordially invited to attend. So the attempt to convert her is gradually extended."

Mormons' Side.

Elder W. P. Emmerson, who is the head of the new "Deseret," the present Mormon headquarters, Tottenham, declared that the allegations against the Mormons were "false from beginning to end."

Tidal Wave Uncovers Coins.

A remarkable tide at Sandness Aldeburgh washed away 300,000 tons of sand and washed out of the sands hundreds of coins, gold, silver and bronze dating from early Saxon times, antique bronzes rings and ornaments, and an old bronze bag clasp. On the coast here stood Dunwich, a Saxon city. One by one five of its churches were undermined by the waves, and today only one remains, a melancholy ruin, with a fragment of a monastery and the remains of a leper hospital. Ships, harbor, city, all have gone; even the ruins have perished with the above exceptions. But on the shore still grows the "Dunwich Rose," which was brought by the monks 1400 years ago.

Penitence Was Rich.

Going over the duke of Westminster's penitence his secretary, Colonel Lloyd, recently discovered that a woman had been receiving \$50 a year dating back to the late duke. He asked the clergyman of the parish to investigate, and he replied that the woman was well-to-do, that she had a prosperous farm and that he was sorry that he could not make a lengthy investigation, as at the moment of his call the lady was going to take a ride in her carriage.

ADDITIONS TO COLONIAL NAVY

New South Wales Ready to Build a Cruiser and a Bunch of Destroyers.

SYDNEY, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—The New South Wales state government has informed the commonwealth government, in reply to the latter's request, that it is prepared to undertake the construction of a cruiser and four destroyers for the Australian navy in its shipyards, charging the commonwealth government 3 per cent on the actual outlay.

MANUEL GETS JEWELS HE LEFT

Portuguese Minister of Finance Has Forwarded Personal Property to Ex-King.

LISBON, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—The remainder of the jewels, clothing and dresses left at the Necessidades palace by Queen Amelia and King Manuel in their hurried flight, have now been despatched to the royal couple at Richmond by the Portuguese minister of finance.

"Bobs" Wants Million Soldiers to Protect United Kingdom

LONDON, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—Lord Roberts' recent speech in the House of Lords proves that he is still a jingo. He clamored for 1,000,000 soldiers. His speech was semi-apologetic and not at all like that which might have been expected from a man who knows something about the horrors of war—something that few members of the House of Lords can say. Although his remarks have not aroused much interest or caused much comment, still they are interesting in view of England's present pretense that she favors peace and arbitration. In the course of his address Lord Roberts said:

"So far as the army is concerned, our military system is hopelessly inadequate."

CATHOLICS MUST BE CAREFUL

Visitors Who Want to See Pope Are Given a Hint.

CANNOT GO TO THE QUIRINAL

Report of Prevalence of Cholera in Denial—Attempt to Murder a Priest in St. Peter's Causes a Panic.

BY CLEMENT J. BARRETT.

ROME, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—A well-known American priest who is here says of the report that the papal authorities are trying to keep visitors away from this country:

"The Vatican cares little who comes to Rome this year, but the holy father, as I have been officially informed, will feel hurt in case Catholics who may come here will take part at the official receptions at the Quirinal."

"Regarding the cholera, I may say there is no trace of it to my knowledge here or in Italy. Much more was made of the cases that occurred than the state of things warranted. And, although no really staunch Catholic should feel much sympathy for the Roman cholera of this year, it is but just that I may forewarn those who need not have the slightest fear in visiting Italy. Many in Rome who belong to the world of commerce have lost heavily owing to the cholera scare which yellow journalists took a share in creating."

In the chamber the premier announced the government's intention to introduce legislation for the creation of a state monopoly of life insurance, the revenue from which would be entirely devoted to old age and invalid pensions for workmen.

Panic in St. Peter's.

A panic recently occurred at St. Peter's cathedral. It was caused by an armed man's attempt to murder a priest. The would-be assassin, a man named "John," was shot by a policeman. The man who was taken to the police station, Desanti, is a native of Liguria, aged 45 years. He added that he was an anti-clerical hater and religion and the priests; hence his desire to kill the Vatican clergy.

Desanti said he came here last August when he had determined on killing the pope, but was not able to enter the Vatican and decided to kill a priest. With this purpose in view he had endeavored as long ago as August to gain entrance to the Vatican as a gardener. Knowing the pope was in the Vatican, he had planned to have no difficulty in shooting him. He expressed regret that the shot in St. Peter's had not hit the priest.

Desanti spent twenty years in prison for murdering his uncle and aunt, who left their money to the church instead of to him. This is said to be the cause of his hatred of priests.

Young Strangers Caught.

A wealthy old lady, who lived on the outskirts of Rome, has been strangled to death by her nephew, aged 19 years, and a friend, who had designs upon the money in the house. Despite the storm the victim's shrieks were heard by the police who rushed to the rescue, but the murderers barricaded themselves and opened fire on the police from the windows. The police replied to the fire and after two hours' fusillade the murderers surrendered. As they were being conveyed to prison they were nearly lynched.

Self-Help Society of Queer Brand

Former Turkish Officials Organized to Furnish Evidence Needed in Court.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—A self-help society, original in its scope, has been found to exist among the pensioned officers and other officials of the law courts of Constantinople. This organization devotes itself to providing, at reasonable charges, witnesses for the service of litigants who arrive at court insufficiently provided with testimony. The society's agents are to be found outside the doors of all branches of the judiciary, and by reason of the extensive experience of its members, gained by long service in official posts of trust, it is able to supply any class of evidence desired, not as intelligent perjury, but in a form appropriate to the usual preference of the particular judge desiring to try the case. The success of the society has so widened its sphere of operations that its terms were on a low cash basis.

Nile Beats Old Mark.

In September, 1818, the river Nile in Egypt rose three and one-half feet above the highest mark left by a previous inundation and the waters, ascending with uncommon rapidity, carried off several villages and hundreds of their inhabitants.

SWINDLING GANG CAUGHT IN BERLIN

Count Wolff-Metternich, Said to Be the Leader, is Arrested at Vienna.

MAY BE SAVED BY A RUSE

Prison Doctor Gives Out Impression He is Insane.

GIVES CLUE TO HIS ASSOCIATES

Thieves Moved in Best Society and Secured Large Sums.

REMARKABLE MURDERESS TAKEN

Caroline Hopf, Monomaniac on the Subject of Murder, Paraded Her Operations in the Black Forest.

BY MALCOLM CLARKE.

BERLIN, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—The Berlin police are thorough in their work, slow but systematic, and seldom do they fail to round up a criminal whom they are under orders to catch.

The police are slowing gathering the threads which, he hoped will enable them to capture all the members of a gang of international swindlers. They were first put on the track by the arrest in Vienna of Count Gilbert Wolff-Metternich, who is charged with uttering false bills of exchange. This member of a name, which has an honorable record in the annals of austrian diplomacy, now lies in prison. There is, however, some doubt as to whether his case will come up for trial. For some time he has been under the observation of the prison doctors, as his insanity has been called in question. Strong efforts are being made to procure his release on the ground of mental irresponsibility.

Associates Located.

Meanwhile the examination of Metternich has been so far-fetched of results that have been obtained in his alleged associations in a series of swindling operations, and one member of the gang has been secured by the police. This person is Steffen Bujas, who has been arrested and after being conducted to the frontier he was handed over to the German police. Bujas is fifty-two years of age, and has had an adventurous career. The first inquiries into the operations of Metternich led to the conviction that he had led the police to one man only, but a clever gang of card sharps. Numerous complaints reached the authorities, showing that the swindlers had been at work for some time. The chief of the gang, it was ascertained, was Rudolf Stallmann. His other associates in crime were Count Metternich and Bujas, who have already been captured, and a man who called himself Baron Kott, Kottig, but whose name is Julius Steinmann. There was also a fifth member, a supposed Englishman.

Gang Lived High.

The gang frequented only the very best hotels. An officer was swindled of \$7,500 and a doctor of \$10,000. The officer gave 30,000 marks in cash and a bill was presented by one of the swindlers and paid by the drawer. The police have portraits of all the gang. The whereabouts of the Englishman is unknown, while König and Stallmann are traveling.

Murderess Caught.

A remarkable story of crime has come to light as the result of the arrest of Caroline Hopf. A series of murders in the Black Forest had kept the people of the neighborhood in a state of panic. Complete evidence of her complicity in the crimes has now been obtained, and the doctors have, after examination, come to the conclusion that the woman is a monomaniac of a dangerous kind. Inanity has been traced in her family, and it has been known that from quite an early age she has masqueraded in man's clothes at intervals.

Gay German Spendthrift.

In the supplementary proceedings in connection with the bankruptcy of August Thyssen Jr., the eldest son of the millionaire Rheinisch-Westphalian coal and iron magnate, it was reported by the official receiver that claims for debts aggregating \$13,000,000, had been filed.

Thyssen's heaviest creditor is his father's firm, to which he owes \$3,000,000. Other debts range in size from \$1 to \$1,000,000 the latter being the sum claimed by Thyssen's former business manager, Dr. Borchardt, who has been sentenced to four months' arrest in a fortress for fighting a pistol duel with his ex-employer in February. The receiver stated there was no immediate prospect of a dividend, but he had not abandoned the hope that the bankrupt's father whose fortune was estimated at \$50,000,000 would come to his son's rescue for the family's honor.

Rescue Party Starts North in Search of Captain Mikkelsen

COPENHAGEN, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—With the object of finding the intrepid Danish explorer, Captain Einar Mikkelsen, a rescue party has just left Denmark for the Arctic regions. Captain Mikkelsen left Copenhagen as far back as June 20, 1900, in view of the words he then used: "If I do not succeed in my quest, I will be back"—the greatest unselfishness is felt as to his fate. He left Copenhagen in his ship of forty-five tons, the Alabama, with a crew of six men. He had provisions for two years and sledge provisions for a long time. His first was to find the bodies of Mylius Ericksen, Haeg Hagen and Bronlund, who had perished a year previously in Greenland. The second reason of his journey was to pierce through Greenland on the east coast, make a map of the ferry channel and eventually come out at Cape York on the west coast. No man has yet done this. If he succeeds he will have performed one of the most remarkable feats in the history of Arctic exploration.

Living, Yet Dead in the Legal Sense, French Boy Suffers

Hospital Reported His Death and Parents Had Him Arrested as a Swindler.

MARSEILLES, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—An extraordinary sequence of errors has occurred at Marseilles in consequence of a curious mistake at a hospital. The parents of a patient in the institution in question were informed that their son had died and had been buried. In great grief the man's friends asked that the coffin might be exhumed and the remains sent to Dijon. Shortly afterwards they were astonished to receive a telegram from their son asking for funds to enable him to leave the hospital and come home. Thinking the telegram was the work of a swindler, the parents sent to the Marseilles police asking them to arrest the person who should claim the postal order sent in reply to the telegram. This was done and the young man, loudly protesting his innocence, was put in prison, there he remained for six days.

Two Boats Said to Be Lost

LLOYD'S AGENT REPORT THAT TWO STEAMSHIPS HAVE BEEN LOST OFF CAPE VALINO.

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Made Kaiser Cut Out Beer and Study Hard to Pass

BERLIN, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—Chancellor Holweg owes his high position to the fact that he and the Kaiser were chums at Bonn University. He is a brilliant man, but a "snorter for war" and big armies. He is of Jewish descent, one of his ancestors having been expelled from Holland on account of his Jewish convictions. This, added to the fact that the chancellor comes only of middle-class stock, has made his fight for fame a difficult one.

Many stories are told of the Kaiser's friendship for the chancellor when the two were students. Wilhelm was noted for his love of learning, while Holweg was a veritable bookworm, and exercised quite fatiguingly over the young prince. The future monarch found himself so backward in philosophical studies that he asked his chum to help him in his work. Holweg, of course, consented, and one morning, before a stiff examination, Wilhelm, arrived at his friend's room to be "heard his lesson."

"I'm," said Holweg after the hearing, "you haven't read a word at all on this subject. You had better sit up all night to-night studying instead of gussing beer."

"No," replied Wilhelm, "I must drink with the corps tonight." Without a word, Holweg closed the book and declined to have anything more to do with the prince's studies. Wilhelm departed in a rage but returned next day and promised to be more studious. He did cut out the beer, sat up all night reading up and passed his examination.

RIBALD SOLDIERS SENTENCED

Trio of Uniformed Ruffians Sent to Prison for Two Months.

INSULTED A NUN ON THE STREET

Observant and Experienced Tramp Sends to Public Guardians Plea for Release of Children in the Workhouses.

BY ROBERT EMMET.

DUBLIN, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—Frederick Wencob, John A. Lee and J. Henry McNabb, the English soldiers who insulted a Catholic nun in Kilkenny by using vile language and who also struck with a whip and drove her for refuge into a church which they later desecrated, have been convicted. The evidence was so strong that the accused men pleaded guilty. What aggravated the offense was that the nun was on the way to the house of a patient whom she was nursing. She is a member of an order which devotes itself to nursing the sick poor. The soldiers were sentenced to prison for two months at hard labor. The men narrowly escaped lynching at the time of their arrest.

A Wise Tramp.

An amusing letter was read from a tramp at the last meeting of the Baiting Guards in which he denied the report that tramps received eggs, rashers of bacon steak and onions for breakfast in the Baitinghouse.

"I am now 50 years on the road," he says, "and I have visited the Baitinghouse workhouse at least 100 times and I have never seen the above mentioned flourishing tables."

The only remedy to abate the tramp nuisance, he urges, is direct labor and he then proceeds to enlighten the guardians on the subject of laziness. A celebrated man, he says, once stated that the best mechanic he had ever known was the latest man he had ever met. The writer said he favored the boarding-out of workhouse children, because, he says, "I know no sadder sight than those poor little prisoners shut away, except for an occasional walk from the fields and trees, excluded from the fresh air and the liberty that children love, pent up behind a dreary wall with a few feet of gravelled walk for a playground, and surrounded by the company of the world's failures."

Knight Gives Up Property.

Sir John Carden has presented a large piece of ground to the people of Templemore as a sports field. The want of such a field was much felt, and the action of Sir John is much appreciated. He has written to his steward, to have the plot enclosed, and a committee has been formed, to carry out necessary improvements.

Still Condemning Estates.

The estates commissioners give notice of their intention to acquire compulsorily, under the Evicted Tenants act, 20 acres and in the townland of Clondoty, Tipperary, on the estate of Colonel Fitzgibbon Trant.

Poor Business Defeated.

The proposal to prohibit street trading by boys under the age of 12 and girls under the age of 18, has aroused business whose merchandise they sell and they will make an effort to block the bill which was introduced in the House of Lords.

Patriotic Bishop.

Bishop Mangan, who is an enthusiastic supporter of the home rule movement, recently sent a letter to Dr. O'Donnell, bishop of Raphoe, enjoining a check for the Irish parliamentary fund. It is said he doubled his subscription last year, and that the present situation demands equal efforts.

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FRENCH PRIEST IS A TART CRITIC

Father Bolo is Unparing in His Denunciation of Present Day Young Women.

GOOD BREEDING, BAD MANNERS

Simple, Modest Girl Has Disappeared, He Asserts.

JEALOUS TAILOR CREATES PANIC

Killed His Wife, Then Rushed Into Notre Dame Church.

ASSAULTED AND STABBED OTHERS

Honorable Side of Criminal Procedure Gets Many an Airing in French Courts—Noted Duellist Is Given a Banquet.

BY PAUL VILLIERS.

PARIS, April 29.—(Special to The Bee.)—Father Bolo, the famous Catholic university preacher, has been censuring the up-to-date young woman in his sermon. In one of his recent sermons he said:

"I am told that certain salons are frequented by young girls of good birth, but bad breeding, who affect language and conduct which shock even men. The simple, modest young girl, with a shy laugh, has disappeared from our natural history; another species is attempting to replace it, one which Schopenhauer would have called the monkey with pig-tail." But because this young girl of today takes liberties, like an American, flirts like an English girl, reads like a Norwegian, is omnivorous and versatile as a Russian, uses her eyes like a Spaniard, and tomorrow may be dressed like a Turk, this is not enough to conclude that she is quite French or even quite Parisian."

Murderer Causes a Panic.

A tragedy that led up to a panic at the church of Notre Dame de Lorette was a sordid affair. Clement Bochelet, a tailor, beat his wife and ill-treated her. She left him. She had a room in the Rue des Gravilliers. The other morning there was a knock at the door. It was too early for the post and in answer to inquiry, "Who is there?" she heard her husband's voice say, "Open." When she opened the door he killed her with a knife.

A crowd rushed along the narrow streets in pursuit of Bochelet. Carrying his knife, he lunged at all who tried to stop him. He cut the finger of one man, stabbed another on the shoulder, tripped up four men and women. He rushed into the church of Notre Dame, where mass was being celebrated. There he knocked down two men, stabbed the beadle in the face and escaped through a side door. There two policemen rushed at him. He kicked one and stabbed the other, but just as he broke away and ran again the crowd closed in around him and threw him down. Eventually the man carried Bochelet into the police station. "I was jealous of her," was all the murderer said in his defence. "I beat her, but she ought not to have left me."

Honors of French Trials.

Sensational and humorous trials are of greater frequency in French courts than in those of other countries. Unfortunately, the interest is often hung up for the convenience of advocates or judges for long periods. Such a suspension now defers the conclusion of the trial of Comte Claude de Choiseul against his mother, Vandeparre, a picture dealer, and Prusier, an expert in art. The comte is charged with having taken in a jeweler named Walter in obtaining of him a pearl necklace worth 90,000 francs on the security of a picture gallery. It is true that it belonged to a Spanish lady who had been bearded. They are charged with having helped the comte to obtain the necklace with their eyes open.

Comte Is 27 Years Old.

The comte is 27 years old, a son of the late Duc de Praslin. Comte Horace de Choiseul served as under secretary of state when St. Hilaire held the portfolio of foreign minister. On his side he is grandson of Marshal Sebastiani, one of the French ambassadors to Queen Victoria.

The court resembled a showroom on the eve of a great picture sale. There were alleged Lelys, Rubens, Frans Hals, Van Dykes and even Van Eycks. One expert expressed the opinion that the work of a painting is determined by the nail on which it has been hanging. Not long ago he valued a Cacanova at 10,000 francs. Next day a dealer bought it for 12,000 francs.

Bogus Marquis Flees.

Living near Nantes is the Countess de la Bourne, a handsome woman of 45 years, rich and beloved by her neighbors. Three years ago her husband died, but she married again. The fortunate husband was a handsome young man, known as Marquis de Roquefeuil. The bombshell fell and burst in the household of the "marquis" a day or two ago. An official visited his luxurious flat and the following conversation took place: "The Marquis de Roquefeuil?" he asked. "I am he."

Banquet to Duellist.

Rouzier Dorcières, a journalist to whom duelling comes naturally, after an experience of 250 fights in which he was either principal or second, is to be the guest of honor at the banquet given by his opponents and those who have had his services. "Are you sure?" said the official. "The marquis died fifteen years ago. Here is his death certificate. Your name is Charles Reiss, or Paul de Retz. You are a forger and a bigamist."

The Marquis Fainted.

The marquis fainted. When the police came to arrest him he disappeared. He is said to be the son of a circus man. He had been through marriage ceremonies twice before he met the countess.

The Discovery of the Alleged Fraud.

Due to a maid who was recently dismissed by the baroness. She had suspicions about the genuineness of the "marquis" and communicated them to the authorities.

Valuable Life Cut Short.

Viscountess de Villebreme, while visiting the poor on Thursday last, was run over by a motor car and died in a hospital. She was a woman of wealth and devoted her time and fortune to works of charity. Although owner of several vehicles it was her custom to walk when visiting the poor. The automobile which caused her death was occupied by a worthless society woman who never was known to do anything but dress or dance. She was riding to give her pug dog an airing.

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