

RUSSIA'S HAND IS SEEN.

THE CZAR'S MINISTER AT BUCHAREST IN THE BULGARIAN PLOT.

Excitement in Vienna Over the Disclosure of the Conspiracy to Assassinate Prince Ferdinand and to Proclaim a Regency in His stead.

London, Feb. 7.—The disclosures of the examination of Major Panina and the other Bulgarian officers arrested at Sofia, pointing to M. Hrovov, Russian Minister at Bucharest, as the prime mover of the plot to assassinate Prince Ferdinand and proclaim a regency, has created considerable excitement in political circles in Vienna. They have also confirmed the strong suspicion hitherto entertained that Russia's professions of difference regarding the continued occupancy of the Bulgarian throne by Ferdinand were merely put forth to cover his designs in the end of establishing the supremacy of the Czar in the Balkans.

AUSTRIA'S DEMAND OF RUSSIA.

Pending the receipt by the Austrian Government of an official report of the examination of Panina and his companions, it is asserted that the Russian Ambassador at Vienna, Prince Lobanoff, has been served with an informal notice that Austria would be pleased to receive a specific denial of Hrovov's connection with the conspiracy, in default of which it would be deemed proper to request that the Russian Government disclaim all knowledge of Hrovov's action and recall him at once.

Hrovov has been too useful to Russia in connection with the numerous coups that have taken place in Rumania, Bulgaria and Servia within the last few years to warrant the expectation that he will be recalled, and it is therefore assumed that if it suits the Czar's purposes longer to dissemble the wily diplomat will be permitted to remain in the face of Francis Joseph until such time as Ferdinand can be got rid of in some way, when the mask will fall and Russia will step across the Danube with the full determination of remaining there.

It is significant of the distinctive Russian character of conspiracy that M. Zankoff, the leader of several of the most serious of the Bulgarian uprisings, including that which banished Prince Alexander, comes out almost simultaneously with the discovery of the conspiracy with a manifesto, urging the people of Bulgaria to rid themselves of Ferdinand, a circumstance showing Zankoff's belief that Bulgarian popular opinion is well-leavened with Russian sympathy.

MOTHER OF BRIGANDS.

She is Robbed by Her Husband After Abducting Him to France.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 7.—An interesting chapter of romance and crime has just come to light in this city. About five years ago Graciano Cardarelli, with his wife, Angelina, and her son, Giuseppe, opened a large fruit and confectionery store in this city. They did a flourishing business until in June last Cardarelli gave his wife a chattel mortgage on the entire stock and fixtures.

Early last month he made an assignment, when the wife, of course, scooped in all the assets in sight. A few days afterward the family slipped the town, leaving behind unpaid liabilities to the amount of \$8,000, the old woman taking with her \$21,000 in cash which she had drawn from the banks the day previous. They went direct to New York, where they intended to return to Italy.

DISGUISED AS A DUDE.

How a Chinese Woman Crossed the Continent.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Mrs. Wong Ah Tuck, the Chinese young woman who ran away from her husband in San Francisco, has a brand new story to tell her newly-found friends here. She now says that her husband knows all about her coming to New York, and that he even gave her permission to disguise herself as an American dude, because then, she says, she could avoid all possible annoyances from the household element that she might meet on her way here.

REACHING OUT.

Richmond Terminal Trying to Secure More Railways.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—It was reported yesterday that the Richmond Terminal Company, which has gobbled up nearly all the roads in the South, was preparing to include the Erlanger system in its line of roads. This deal is to be brought about through the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia, and the Georgia Pacific railway companies, the object being to give the Terminal system a direct line of its own to New Orleans and up to Chattanooga, to which points the Erlanger runs, as well as to Meridian, Miss. To accomplish this it is proposed to issue new stock of the Terminal Company amounting to \$40,000,000, which would make the total stock \$100,000,000.

BOYCOTTING A POSTMASTER.

A Pennsylvania Town Resents an Appointment.

CONSPICUOUSLY, Pa., Feb. 7.—The banister of Rundles, five miles east of this place, has been enjoying the excitement of a very successful boycott of its new postmaster for four or five months past, and the fight shows no signs of abating. Trouble commenced with the appointment of W. S. Roberts as postmaster. He removed the office from the store in which it had been kept for many years to a rival store only recently established.

NO POLITICAL SLAVERY.

COLORADO MEN TO BREAK AWAY FROM REPUBLICAN THRALDOM.

Such, it is said, will be the outcome of the colored convention, although it is thought that the delegates will elect Pinchbeck's election.

The executive committee of the Colored Citizens' Civil Rights Association, which was given the power by the National Colored Convention to elect the officers who were to be chosen when that body brought its final session to a close last night, met last night and elected the officers of the association. It had been the purpose of the convention to elect all the officers of the National Association, but there was not sufficient time left, and for this reason the work was turned over to the executive committee after the president had been chosen. The officers of the association who will serve for the ensuing year are: President, ex-Governor, P. B. B. Pinchbeck; Vice President, J. C. Chappell; Executive Committee, James Hill, Mississippi; Perry Carson, District of Columbia; Dr. E. J. Johnson, California; Treasurer, Carter A. Stewart, District of Columbia; Secretary, F. G. Barbours, District of Columbia.

LONG SEARCHING IN VAIN.

Twenty Years of Wandering to Find a Disappeared Child.

MARTINSVILLE, IND., Feb. 7.—About twenty years ago a mother named Poll Barnett resided with two daughters in the swampy district of Greene County. The mother worked hard to obtain a living for herself and daughters, Mary Ann and Sylvane. After awhile Mary Ann grew up and engaged as hired girl for neighbors.

She soon fell in with a young man and submitted to his unlawful desires. She was then working for a family in Newberry, on the west side of the White River. Their son was rapidly approaching the point of public exposure, when the young woman suddenly disappeared, and has never since been seen by her father. Her father instituted a search, for it was thought for a time that she had been put out of the way by her betrayer. On the sand, near by were indications of a scuffle, and a number of tracks were plainly visible leading to the water edge.

Finally the search was abandoned, and the mystery of the unfortunate girl's disappearance remained unsolved. The news fell with crushing force on the mother, and she became so distracted with grief as to become demented. She went out from her home with her remaining daughter in search of Mary Ann. They became wanderers and lost one on a lifelong search for the lost one. At first she would go from house to house inquiring for her lost daughter, but she would also visit taverns, and undertake establishments and request to be allowed to look into the cellars in order to satisfy herself that her beloved daughter was not hid away in one of the closets.

This did they continue the search from day to day and from year to year, until her daughter, young when they started out, had the appearance of being a girl of thirty. They were poor and haggard look. They have tramped over Greene, Owen, Sullivan and Clay counties, and some parts of Illinois. It is never too hot nor too cold for them to start out on their quest, and they have been known to stem the storms of winter with their ragged clothing wet through to the skin and glittering with icicles.

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NEGROES WANTING TO LEAVE.

These at Bessemer, Ala., Favor Emigration to Africa.

For several days the negroes of Bessemer, Ala., have been holding meetings and discussing Senator Butler's bill. The meetings have been largely attended by the best and most intelligent element of the colored people of the town. Early this week they gave to the press the following address, which was forwarded to the Senate and House of Representatives.

SYMPATHY OF WHITE LADIES.

The tender sympathy which white ladies of the South are extending to the unfortunate and helpless members of the colored race, is well known.

TRYING TO FIND THE ABERRANT VICTIM.

PORT WAIN, IND., Feb. 7.—Inspector Hanna of the Secret Service arrived here a few days ago from Washington.

TRYING TO ESCAPE THE BIG FOUR.

FOXY WORTH, TEX., Feb. 7.—John Voss of Chicago and Robert McCann of Birmingham, Ill., and others last evening organized a "Big Four" for refrigerating and packing Company, with a capital paid in of \$500,000.

NOVEMBER'S MULTITUDES, WITH ONE SECOND.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 7.—A crowd of thousands of people gathered for the celebration of the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

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