

NEWS OF TWO CAPITALS.

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been held responsible by Lord Kitchener for that reverse, and has been ordered to home on that account, after having been vindicated by Lord Roberts for the more serious mishap at Sanna's Post last spring. The War Office has been playing havoc with military reputations, and is now complaining that the newspapers have made too much of General French, whose ability in the field, Lord Lansdowne seems to think, has been heavily underrated. There is no doubt that the Queen's wishes have prevailed, and that Lord Roberts has consented to the appointment of the Duke of Connaught as Adjutant-General on the expiration of Sir Evelyn Wood's term. This appointment will have an important bearing upon army reform, since it will render it a delicate matter for the members of Parliament to speak critically of military men while the Queen's son is the chief spirit at headquarters. The resignation of the Duke of Cambridge was desired by men in Parliament on that account, and there has been greater freedom of discussion while Lord Wolsey has been in command of the army.

PARIS.

INTEREST IN THE DEBATE ON THE ASSOCIATIONS BILL.

REACTINARY SPEAKERS AND WRITERS
THE MOST VIOLENT—M. DESCHANEL'S
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[BY CABLE TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Paris, Jan. 19.—The debate on the Associations bill is keenly watched by foreign Ambassadors, for it has pitted against each other the two bitter passions in France—the passion of those bent on subverting and the passion of those bent on upholding religious tutelage—and renews in an acute form the struggle which has been going on in this country ever since the French Revolution. The bill, according to its supporters, means the enfranchisement of human reason; according to its opponents it is a revolt against divine reason. Each orator cites precedents and selects weapons from an arsenal of parliamentary debates on the same subject in the struggle which has lasted for generations. The Nationalist and reactionary press publishes inflammatory articles in the hope of stirring the public into making some grand demonstration against the present regime. The "Croix" publishes a facsimile of the Saviour on the Cross, beneath which is the motto, "Adveniat Regnum Tuum," and the inscription "Nous Vous Reconnaissons comme Notre Souverain Seigneur et Maître et comme Chef Suprême de la Patrie Française." The "Gaulois" publishes an illustrated supplement with a harrowing picture of the execution of Louis XVI in the Place de la Concorde, and points out that the anniversary of this "atrocious crime" is January 21, the date on which, by a singular coincidence, the supporters of the Associations bill hope that it will be voted by the Chamber. MM. Drumont, Rochefort and Paul de Cassagnac have dipped their pens in most venomous ink; but, notwithstanding the gravity of the debate, the public at large, that is to say, typical Frenchmen whom one meets in the street, the cafés, places of business or the theatres, regard the parliamentary tempest with unusual calmness and complacency. The popular feeling is that the present discussion cannot put an end to the deep seated antagonism which exists, that the bill, even if it is passed in more or less modified form, will merely give the State new powers and will encounter that sullen resistance in its execution which usually ends by paralyzing the efforts of the authorities.

MOCK MARRIAGE TOO BINDING.

A DENTIST IN PARIS SEEKS RELIEF IN THE COURTS.
Paris, Jan. 19.—In the First Chamber of the Civil Tribunal yesterday Maître Decori asked the Court to nullify the marriage of George Roussel, secretary of the Society of American Dentists in Paris, and Mrs. Harrison, a widow, and daughter of an English admiral. M. Roussel is a Frenchman, and a graduate in dental surgery in Paris and New-York, with a large American clientele. Counsel asserted that he was only married to her through a mock marriage, in 1899, when the ceremony took place. The case was adjourned for a fortnight to hear counsel for the defence, the defendant not being represented.

STEAMERS IN COLLISION IN THE MERSEY.

THE CYMRIC RECEIVES SERIOUS DAMAGE—HOW THE ACCIDENT OCCURRED.
Liverpool, Jan. 19.—The White Star Line steamer Cyrmic, Captain Lindsay, from New-York January 9 for this port, which arrived at Queenstown yesterday morning and proceeded, was in collision in the Mersey this morning with the British steamer Carib Prince, and both vessels were damaged. Tugs are assisting them.

SUSPICIOUS OF CONNERS SYNDICATE.

MONTREAL HARBOR BOARD CONSIDERS DELAY IN GETTING ELEVATORS.
Montreal, Jan. 19 (Special).—The Montreal Harbor Board is getting very suspicious about the intentions of the Connors Syndicate, which is under bonds to erect a number of elevators on the harbor front, the first of which was to have been finished in the fall of 1900, though in point of fact nothing was done last season beyond driving a few hundred piles to form a foundation for the elevator to be built later. At a recent meeting of the Board a motion was made that the Harbor Engineer be asked to report as to whether in his opinion the work done by the syndicate justified a feeling of confidence in the syndicate carrying out the contract, but, though this did not carry, expressions of regret at the lack of enterprise shown by the syndicate were general, and the president intimated that it might be found necessary to forfeit the \$50,000 bond put up by Mr. Connors and his associates.

HUSBAND "SEVENTY-SEVEN."

Dr. Humphreys' "77" breaks up the Grip, while its tonicity sustains the flagging energies during and after the attack.
"SEVENTY-SEVEN" is a National Remedy, having a large sale in every State. During the present epidemic of Grip and Colds the demand is so large, that while we run our factory day and night, we are never quite able to fill all the orders received. Hence we advise you to husband your supply of "77" for your own safety. At all Drug Stores, 25c., or mailed. Pocket Manual mailed free.

WATERWORKS FOR VALPARAISO.

Santiago de Chile, Jan. 19.—President Errazuriz yesterday inaugurated the great waterworks at Valparaiso, which will furnish the water supply for Valparaiso.

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WHAT LONDON TALKS OF.

ANXIETY ABOUT THE QUEEN.—Probably nowhere else in the world has Queen Victoria's prostration been so conservatively treated in the newspapers as here, where it is of the most vital importance. The papers, like her subjects, hesitate to speak plainly of the fears expressing their regard for the Queen. The headlines of most of the afternoon papers to-day were devoted to non-committal announcements in this type, like "Her Majesty's Condition." But the news vendors were doing a tremendous business with every edition. It was a gloomy day for London. The anxiety on every face, from the East End workmen to the frontiers of the Great Britain club, was palpable. The anxiety was not only in the streets, but in the homes. The officials told the newspaper correspondents that they hoped for the best, but their manner showed they feared the worst. The Queen's illness did not surprise people. The unanimous comment was that they feared it. The Queen's illness was not only of the war, but arising from the death of her grandson in South Africa, and the anxiety of her lady-in-law, Dowager Lady Churchill at Christmas, affected her vitality, and the Empire awaited the news from the Queen's physicians.

CANAL TREATY FORGOTTEN.

The Canal Treaty was never ratified in the public mind, and is completely forgotten before the people. But today's developments confirm the forecast of The Associated Press yesterday evening, and the Cabinet is likely to hold the question under consideration for some time. In the mean time, the chief desire of Englishmen appears to be for an amicable settlement.

COMMERCIAL DEPRESSION.

The faults of the British may be, lack of candor concerning their own weaknesses is not included among them. Depreciation of British enterprise and British commercial and laboring methods has become a hobby with the speakers and newspapermen, wherefore the reports of a wave of commercial depression sweeping over Germany and Russia are not so startling here. One Berlin correspondent paints the situation dark. He says the German mortgage banks are in a bad way, also the electrical industries and iron trade, and he adds that the slack wool spinning industry has almost been ruined. He describes the cities as full of unemployed people, and says that in view of this calamity the magistrates are arranging charities for the unemployed.

MASCAGNI'S NEW OPERA.

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INTERNATIONAL ATHLETICS.

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THE SCORPION AT CURACOA.

ON HER WAY TO GUANICO—SITUATION SERIOUS IN VENEZUELA.
Willemstad, Island of Curacoa, Jan. 19.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Scorpion, Lieutenant-Commander N. Sargent commanding, has just arrived here on her way to Guanico, Venezuela, the nearest port to the scene of the trouble between the rival asphalt companies. She recently left La Guayra (the port of Caracas) and brings the latest news of the Venezuelan trouble. The situation is described as being serious. It is said that the emphatic protests of the Government at Washington have been defied and bloodshed at the lake of the Bermudez Asphalt Company was feared. The most heated of the foreigners in Venezuela go so far as to say that if the Washington authorities do not take steps to protect American citizens now all foreigners may as well leave the country. The officers of the Scorpion are quoted as saying that the diplomatic corps at Caracas is unanimous on this point, as are all the foreigners. They admit, however, that the United States Minister at Caracas, Mr. Loomis, is working vigorously in the efforts to arrange matters.

TOPICS IN BERLIN.

THE BI-CENTENARY.—The Prussian bi-centenary celebrations drove out, for a time, almost completely public interest for anything else. The Socialist and part of the ultra-Radical press made an attempt to show that the fêtes were purely dynastic. But this is not true. The flags and decorations throughout Berlin, even in the poorest laborers' quarters, including the belt of the suburbs, and the general illumination of the city, which was being thrown through the streets until midnight. Among the flags the German tricolor predominated largely, the Prussian white and black being only seen occasionally. The "Kreuz Zeitung," which is narrowly Prussian, deprecates this, saying:

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