

RAGE OVER STEPNEY BATTLE

JOHN RULL WILL PUNISH SOMEBODY FOR ABSURD AFFAIR.

Secretary Churchill in Great Disfavor—Law to Exclude Anarchists—The Queen, the King and the Turf—Poorly Paid Officers—Americans in London.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Outraged in his tender pride and self-respect, the average Englishman finds himself powerless even to give expression to his exasperation. Such is the most intolerable of all positions from which the good people of this country are trying in vain to escape. They are not quite sure yet as to where all the responsibility lies for making England ridiculous in the eyes of the world last Tuesday, but they know where most of it belongs.

Who was it, they ask, that gave orders which resulted in the stealthy withdrawal of the police from a house where two desperadoes were asked when the position might have been rushed by an overwhelming well-armed force? This is the point which sensible Englishmen want cleared up. They refuse to believe that the police, who were willing to tackle desperadoes unarmed a fortnight before, fumbled in an encounter on equal terms in Sidney street.

Home Secretary Churchill, who personally directed the battle, is responsible for all that followed, and this fact alone has been enough to make his name a synonym for contempt in every London club. If he also gave instructions which resulted in the early morning fiasco, then will his ignominy be complete. His offense, however, in a paradoxical sense is too great for direct punishment.

SOME ONE WILL SUFFER. It is too disgraceful a business in most men's estimation for further exposure and condemnation. It is the sort of thing that the sooner buried and forgotten the better, as Germany thought of the Kopenick affair. This course is far worse for the national reputation than a mere joke, and the man who held up England to ridicule as the plaything of a pair of foreign desperadoes will pay the penalty sooner or later both in the political and social world.

Meantime there is reason to believe that the London police have asked permission to carry out the remainder of the task of running down this dangerous gang without interference, and that the Home Secretary has agreed to confine himself to his more legitimate duties. The Colonel of the Scots Guards suddenly left London on leave, and none of the officers of the regiment has the courage to show himself in the West End or at the military clubs, where they would be unmercifully chaffed in regard to Tuesday's performance of their men. Mr. Churchill himself would find life a burden if he showed himself in clubland.

Public opinion is so deeply stirred over the whole case that there is little doubt that the Government will find itself compelled to adopt a really effective election act. Whether it will go so far that England will cease to be the last refuge of political anarchy remains to be seen.

MERE THIEVES. The press has unanimously been classing the present gang as anarchists. This is undoubtedly a misnomer, and members of that social sect unanimously repudiate them. They are simply a desperate type of the ordinary Polish thieves and general criminals with whom the police of New York and all other capitals have had much to do in the last few years since the big exodus from Russia began.

According to the statistics of 1909, there were only 150,000 aliens living in London. Of this number 55,000 were Russians and Poles, and only 3,500 were Americans. These figures, especially in regard to the Americans, must be untrustworthy and entirely inadequate. Among alien criminals, Americans have heretofore had preeminence. They topped the list in 1908, while in 1909 they had 156 against 271 Germans and 227 Russians.

A severe exclusion act here will create a serious physical dilemma. No other country will receive the undesirables of which England desires to rid herself, for they do not always truthfully declare their nativity.

FEATURES OF THE PRY

Two things seem to have particularly struck every looker on at Thursday's "Battle of Stepney," as it is now called. The first was the daring recklessness of the press photographers, who calmly worked while bullets were whizzing past them, and the second was that the Scots Guards, lying at each end of the street ready to shoot the burglars if they tried to bolt, must have shot each other and a large number of the crowd and policemen behind them. The guardsmen posted in the windows opposite the besieged house at first found their rifles useless. Their high velocity bullets perforated windows and blinds with small holes. Shot guns were sent for to shoot away the glass, woodwork and blinds.

The question has been raised as to the authority liable to compensate the owner and occupants of the destroyed house. The fire insurance company carrying the risk on the building has announced that it will resist any claim if only on the ground that the fire engines present were not used until the house was gutted. Had it been proved that there were three burglars instead of two, the proceedings would have been brought within the dimensions of a riot, the definition of which in English law is "a tumultuous disturbance of the peace by three persons or more," and compensation would be payable out of the police rate. But so far there is no proof of the third person.

COMING ROUND

In consequence of the exchange of telegrams between London, Paris and St. Petersburg there will be undertaken immediately a careful comparison of the records extant of persons suspected of militant anarchist tendencies. A number of French and Russian detectives have arrived in London since Thursday to help in the suppression of the particular group causing the trouble here. It is believed that a number of notable arrests will soon be made in the region southeast of Stepney bordering on the Thames.

THE KING AND THE TURF

There has been some anxiety in sporting circles as to whether King George will prove as active a supporter of the turf as King Edward. The Racing Calendar, the official organ of the Jockey Club, has relieved this anxiety. Sportsmen are delighted to see numerous nominations under the royal colors for the flat racing season after the expiration of the official season of mourning. The King's first race will probably be at the Newmarket second spring meeting. It will be two years before the royal stables will be represented in the classic races, as King Edward's nominations for the Derby, St. Leger, 2,000 guineas and other

events were voided by his death. King George as the Prince of Wales had no racing colors registered. He has now adopted King Edward's purple, with gold braid and scarlet sleeves and a black cap with a gold fringe. He retains Marsh and Jones as trainer and jockey respectively. The Queen's household appointments bear out the forecasts of the decorous purity of the new court. In the choice of Ladies Desborough, Minto and Ampthill, who are not prim, but charming, stately matrons, as ladies of the bed-chamber the Queen has given no countenance to the modern movements associated with her sex. All three would shiver at the idea of a woman having a vote. The maids of honor all come directly or indirectly of Victorian court stock.

UNDERPAID OFFICERS

A good example of the inadequate payment of officers of the British army was given in the county court at Woodwich this week. A Lieutenant of the Army Service Corps was sued by a tailor for £2 arrears (\$10) on a bill of £15 10s., or \$75.50, for a uniform. The Judge read an affidavit that the debtor received £15 a month, or £5 approximately. Out of that amount he was compelled to pay for his monthly mess £8 10s.; servant and groom, £1; washing, 15 shillings; oil and cleaning materials, 10 shillings; and sundries, £1 10s., leaving 5s. for clothing and personal expenses. An order was made for him to pay 10s. a month.

TO CHECK SECRET MARRIAGES

The Female Aid Society is making a great effort to abolish secrecy in the celebration of marriages at registry offices, urging that as the laws stand now the lack of adequate publicity affords facilities for immorality and crime. The society suggests that publicity be given to the notification of marriage by exhibiting a list of persons to be married in such fashion "in or outside the post office nearest the said registry office."

SOCIAL NEWS

Interesting events are expected in the households of Viscount Maidstone, Lord Acheson and Secretary Phillips of the American Embassy in the early spring.

Viscountess Deerhurst has gone to Croome Court, the seat of her father-in-law, the Earl of Coventry, with her children for several weeks.

The Countess of Essex and her daughter have been guests of the Duchess of Beaufort at Badminton.

Lady Maxwell has gone to Cairo, where she will do much entertaining.

C. B. Alexander and family arrived in London on Tuesday. They left for Paris on Thursday, where Mrs. Alexander will attend to the renovation of their Paris residence. In the third week in January they will go on a prolonged tour of Egypt.

Mrs. John Ward, Lord and Lady Alastair Innes-Ker and Lord and Lady Tweedmouth are planning a trip to California in the early spring, where the male members of the party will play polo.

The Duke de Vieux has taken a position in the city, so that the Duchess is spending much time in town.

Capt. Cloman, the former American Military Attache, was entertained at dinner on Friday by members of the diplomatic service prior to his departure for America to-day with Mrs. Cloman. His house on Stanhope street has been taken by Secretary Phillips, who will move in at the end of the month.

Mrs. C. Baring has taken the Innes-Ker house, to which she moved on Tuesday. She is in delicate health.

F. Mackey and wife, who spent Christmas at Leamington, sailed for New York on the Lusitania to-day, as did also Emil Fuchs, Lord Exmouth, H. Christlun, the editor of the "Encyclopedia Britannica," Hattie Williams, Mrs. L. Massen and Lord Decies.

Tom Johnson to Run for Mayor Again.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 7.—Tom L. Johnson has virtually announced himself as a candidate for Mayor next fall. A reception was held for him at a single tax and free trade meeting in the Chamber of Commerce Hall last night. In a short address he spoke of the single tax movement and said that he would get into the campaign again for Mayor next fall.

CZAR A NATIONALIST.

subscribes to All Russian National Club—Huge Savings of Russia's People.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 7.—Publicly and without equivocation the Czar has joined the Russian Nationalist party. A note issued by the official intelligence bureau says that Premier Stolypin has informed the All Russian National Club that Nicholas, after acquainting himself with the nature of its propaganda, has subscribed 15,000 rubles, or about \$7,000, to its campaign fund.

The statement of accounts in the Government savings banks in 1909 should modify the accepted idea of the almost universal poverty and thriftlessness of the humblest classes in Russia. At the beginning of 1910 there were 1,562,000,000 rubles, or nearly \$790,000,000, in the banks in the names of over 17,000,000 depositors of whom the peasants from 28 per cent; minor employees such as railroad and public works employees, 15 per cent; factory workers only 5.4 per cent., and women 42.9.

Finance Minister Kokortzev says that these figures do not represent anything like the money savings of the people. There are only 6,792 branches of Government banks in all Russia. The rural population is too scattered to use banks and still keeps its cash in jars under cottage floors. The deposits in 1910 increased 10,000,000 rubles, or more than \$2,000,000, and the withdrawals decreased 1,000,000 rubles.

KING VICTOR'S BOOK OUT.

Royal Author Solves a Vatican Complication—Blunder at the Mint.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. ROME, Jan. 7.—The first volume of King Victor Emmanuel's monumental work on numismatics has just been published. Only 1,200 copies were placed on sale, and these were all ordered in advance. Father Ehrle, the director of the Vatican library, himself a prominent numismatist, was unable to secure a copy. An awkward situation thus developed.

The King, who intended sending Father Ehrle one of the copies he had retained for presentation to sovereigns, was indirectly informed that the gift could not be accepted, as the book was wanted for the Vatican library and consequently for the Pope. The King solved the difficulty by sending two copies to Mgr. Bonomelli, the Bishop of Cremona. The Bishop took the hint and presented the one which was without the King's autograph and dedication to Father Ehrle.

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IF ACADEMIES ADMIT WOMEN

They'll Have to Go Round Begging Votes and Wear Uniforms.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. PARIS, Jan. 7.—Prominent papers have been discussing this week the supposed cooling of the Anglo-French entente cordiale and the synchronous rapprochement between Germany and Russia, but Paris refused to take interest in the matter, being more occupied with the question whether the Academy of Sciences will bow to the tradition which the Institute of France voted should be observed.

Among the minor difficulties facing female Academicians is the question of uniform. The Academicians wear a green, gold braided, almost military costume with a sword, but it is pointed out that bishops, who are members, retain their clerical garb. Moreover, the princesses of Germany and elsewhere who are honorary colonels of regiments wear an adaptation of their regiment's uniform on parade days.

Another difficulty, however, is the custom which binds a candidate to visit members to solicit their votes before the elections. These visits are regarded as unbecoming for women candidates to make to male members or for female Academicians to receive.

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\$5.45—Value \$8.75

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\$6.45—Value \$10.00

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\$5.00—Value \$8.95

Silk Jersey Top Petticoats

Black and colored, with Messaline flounce to match

\$5.45 & 6.45—Values up to \$10.75

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with Persian flounce

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with reversible flounce to match

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with black or colored Messaline flounce

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In flowered Silk \$2.50

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