

EUROPE'S SUSPENSE.

Ignatieff Returning Unsuccessful from Vienna.

ANDRASSY INTRACTABLE

A Grave Solution of the Difficulty Imminent.

FRANCE IN A NEW POSITION

Can Her Fleet Be Pitted Against That of England?

IS IT BISMARCK'S HAND?

England Must Withdraw Her Fleet or Russia Seizes Stamboul.

A CRISIS AT HAND.

The Czar Preparing To Take His Place Among His Troops.

[BY CABLE TO THE HERALD.]

St. Petersburg, March 31, 1878.

It is admitted in high official circles here that the visit of General Ignatieff to Vienna for the purpose of gaining over Count Andrassy to the Russian side has proved a failure. The fact is variously regarded, but nothing has so far occurred that would indicate any change in the Russian programme. In fact, any receding from the position hitherto assumed would be extremely unpopular with all classes of the Russian people. General Ignatieff returns to St. Petersburg, without going to England, as was originally intended.

GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION.

The general situation here is very disquieting and great uneasiness as to the future is expressed by persons high in the confidence of the government. It is felt that a grave solution of the Eastern difficulty is imminent, and that the next few weeks will be pregnant with events that will materially affect all Europe. This feeling is mainly due to the return of General Ignatieff to Russia without having, up to the latest advice, obtained any serious concession from Austria.

RUSSIA DECIDED TO HOLD FIRM.

Coupled with this news of the unfriendly attitude of Austria is the fact that the Russian government is more than ever decided to remain firm in its demands and to push matters to extremes, so that the outlook is warlike in the extreme. The *amour propre* of the Czar will not allow him to yield anything, and the feeling of the people is such that any concessions to the other Powers might produce serious consequences. It is felt on all sides that war cannot be averted, and the only question seems to be as to the Powers that will take part in it.

THE FRENCH FLEET MUST BE SECURED.

Calculations have been made here of the strength of the fleets of the whole world with a view to possible contingencies. The result is a belief in the almost indispensable necessity of obtaining the aid of the French fleet against England. This conclusion having been arrived at it is necessary to devise a means of securing France, and it is thought that one has been hit upon.

FRANCE'S ALTERNATIVE.

If General Ignatieff should, at the last moment, succeed at Vienna, the plan decided on to secure the co-operation of France is to be placed before the French government the following alternative:—"You must either abstain from the Congress and thus act on the side of England against the whole of Europe, or come to the Congress and agree to abide by the consequences, whatever they may be."

WILL FRANCE COMMIT HERSELF?

By this means it is hoped that France would be forced to abandon her present attitude of absolute neutrality and declare herself on one side or the other before any decisive step is taken. It is not improbable that the hand of Bismarck may be traced in this proposition; but such is the intention should Ignatieff succeed with Andrassy.

THE SWORD OF BRENUS.

In consequence of her reserved attitude great irritation prevails here against France, as it is felt that by remaining neutral while half of Europe would be exhausting itself in a gigantic war, the influence of France would be enormously increased and her power, to a great extent, restored. While she is standing silently watching the conflict she could decide at a critical moment to throw her sword into whatever side of the scale best suited her interests, and thus determine the result.

SEEKING AN ENTENTE WITH GERMANY.

If Ignatieff fails entirely, as it is believed here he must, it is now thought he will return by way of Berlin for the purpose of effecting an understanding with the German government, so that Russia may know what to expect from that very important quarter,

and finally adopt a definitive policy. It is felt that a great deal depends on having a clear and definite understanding with Germany, as Austria's action must be largely dependent on the attitude of the Berlin government.

WITHDRAW YOUR FLEET OR FIGHT.

Should all hope of a general understanding be given up Russia will put an end to the suspense and face the issue directly. England will be summoned to withdraw her fleet immediately from the Sea of Marmora. In case of refusal, which is certain, the Russians will occupy, in the course of a few hours, Constantinople and the whole shore of the Bosphorus, and thus England and Russia will be face to face, with nothing but the sword to decide their differences.

FORCING A CRISIS.

Whether an immediate declaration of war would follow this action is, of course, a matter of doubt, but it must lead to such events as will infallibly end in war, and from the moment it is taken the grand struggle may be looked upon as virtually commenced. It is well known here that the most popular English Minister that ever lived would not dare to withdraw the fleet under such circumstances. The storm of indignation that would be aroused would sweep everything in England before it, and the fact of such a demand being made would be clear evidence that Russia wanted to force England to fight.

THE CZAR GETTING READY.

Everything here looks like war. The director of the imperial train has been suddenly ordered to start for Brussels, where he will arrive on Tuesday, for the purpose of bringing back to St. Petersburg immediately the train which the Czar used during the last campaign, and which is undergoing repairs in Belgium. This order was given immediately after the receipt of the news of Lord Derby's resignation, which is regarded as the surest indication that England has decided on a vigorous policy.

THE CZAR TO REJOIN HIS TROOPS.

As soon as the imperial train returns it is expected that His Imperial Majesty will at once set out for the south and rejoin the army in Turkey. The Czar is determined that the outbreak of war shall find him in the midst of his troops, and his departure for the front may be regarded as the signal for the commencement of hostilities. The preparations to meet the emergency here are on an enormous scale, and the greatest activity prevails in all departments of the army.

A HUSBAND'S VENGEANCE.

DISCOVERY OF A WIFE'S GUILT AND ITS CONSEQUENCES—SHOOTING OF THE PARAMOUR.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.]

Richmond, Va., March 31, 1878.

The vicinity of Tenth and Byrd streets in this city was thrown into a state of intense excitement this evening on account of the shooting of John Frick by A. A. Reinhardt. The latter is a coachmaker, who is married, and the former is a shoemaker, who boards at Reinhardt's house, but has a room in which he sleeps over his shoe shop. Reinhardt and his wife, who are well-to-do and thrifty, are people of great respectability. Mrs. Reinhardt is young, buxom and quite fascinating. The disciple of Crispin is a young widower, and has been on such terms of intimacy with Mrs. Reinhardt that her husband became jealous and suspicious.

IN FLAGRANT DELICT.

This morning he determined to test his wife's faithfulness and announced that he was going down the river to his boat and would be gone all day. In about two hours he returned and to his astonishment found his wife absent from home. Promptly by the green-eyed monster he rushed to the room occupied by Frick and, peeping through the keyhole, he saw the wife of his bosom in bed with Frick. Reinhardt at once battered down the door and stood in the presence of his guilty pair. He began to beat his wife unmercifully and while thus engaged her paramour crept through the open door.

FURST OF THE PARAMOUR.

Reinhardt then procured a shotgun, and after having leveled his gun at Frick, he leveled his son, but Frick ran into an alley. Reinhardt pursued, and, gaining the entrance of the alley, binched away at the flying Frick, the shot taking effect in the back. His wounds are not regarded as serious. Reinhardt has not yet been arrested, though the police are on the lookout for him. Mrs. Reinhardt is confined to bed by her injuries.

THE SHOOTING AT PINE PLAINS.

DETAILS OF A QUARREL OVER AN ESTATE—AN OFFICER AND LAWYER ASSAULTED—LIVELY WORK WITH A REVOLVER AND A CLUB.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.]

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., March 31, 1878.

The shooting affair at Pine Plains yesterday has caused much excitement here. The wounded man is a farmer, seventy-two years old, named Edward Thompson. Colonel Fraleigh sold Thompson's farm and had advertised to auction the stock of Saturday afternoon. Visiting the farm in the morning with Constable H. C. Smith he found the road leading to the house cut off by a fence.

THE AFFRAY.

Thompson met him at the fence and words ensued, when Thompson knocked him down with a stick and also struck the officer. The latter drew a revolver and fired, the ball striking Thompson in the breast, and glancing upward, lodged near the neck. Thompson's son advanced to strike the officer with a club, but he later pointed the revolver at him, and Thompson says, fired it, but the latter was not hit. That ended it.

ARREST OF THE PARTIES.

Afterward Thompson's son and the officer were both arrested on charges of intent to kill. Colonel Fraleigh was badly beaten, and is confined to his bed. The elder Thompson is in a critical condition, the ball having not yet been extracted. The fight was over the Thompson homestead, on which Fraleigh held mortgage and had sold the property. Thompson claims he was ready to settle but Fraleigh would not sign the deed.

WOUNDED IN A DRUNKEN AFFRAY.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.]

Trenton, March 31, 1878.

During a drunken fracas, in which pistols and clubs were used, this morning, at Millham, a suburb of this city, Bowry, known as "Kinney" Brown, was shot in the thigh and one Bond had his nose broken. It was a very disgraceful affair, and the wounds are considered serious.

HELD FOR MURDER.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., March 31, 1878.

George Boyce and Nicholas Egler have been held for trial charged with the murder of Frederick Hamel, near Brocton, on the 23d inst.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

From All Parts of the World.

A CRISIS IN THE EAST.

England Asks Leave to Land Troops on Greek Territory.

AUSTRIA MOBILIZING.

Servia Preparing for the Coming Struggle.

WAR REGARDED AS CERTAIN.

[BY CABLE TO THE HERALD.]

LONDON, April 1, 1878.

Paris papers publish a telegram from Athens stating that a rumor is current there that England has asked permission to encamp an expeditionary corps on Greek territory.

SIGNIFICANT TURKISH ACTION.

According to a despatch from Constantinople the Turks have reoccupied Hujukdera. The evacuation of the Quadrilateral by the Turks has been deferred for the present.

THE END APPROACHING.

A special to the Standard, dated Constantinople, Friday, states that if the English fleet is not withdrawn the Russians will occupy Constantinople with the approval of the Sultan.

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brigade, has been arrested for high treason. Many other arrests are probable.

The Times has the following from Paris:—"A Beigrade telegram states that Servia will join Russia in the event of an Anglo-Russian war."

FIGHTING THE GREEKS.

A Turkish force, estimated at ten thousand, has stormed the insurgent positions on Mount Pelion and captured Macriniza. The insurgents are retreating and the losses on both sides were heavy. News of another battle is momentarily expected.

LORD DERBY'S SUCCESSOR.

The Daily Telegraph positively asserts that the Marquis of Salisbury will succeed Lord Derby as Secretary of Foreign Affairs.

GETTING OUT OF THE WAY.

A Bucharest correspondent reports that English merchant vessels at Galatz have been ordered by their owners to sail immediately, even without cargo. General Zimmermann's corps has been ordered to Moldavia immediately.

THE FRENCH BUDGET.

The French budget for 1878 estimates the surplus at 12,000,000.

GERMANY AND SICILY.

The government of Germany has accepted the conditions proposed by Germany.

ILLNESS OF FATHER BECK.

Father Beck, General of the Society of Jesus, is ill.

REFORM AT LONG BRANCH.

DISCOURSE BY FATHER WALSH—POSITION OF A CATHOLIC PRIEST AS CONTRASTED WITH THAT OF OTHER CLOYERMEN—METHODS OF TEMPERANCE REFORMERS REBUKED—AN INCOMPETENT OFFICIAL.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.]

LONG BRANCH, March 31, 1878.

Father Walsh gave another strong temperance sermon to-day. The reverend speaker stated that during the week he had received several letters from rum-sellers of the worst type trying to explain away their past doings and conduct. He was glad to see at least that they profess to change their lives, but explanations of this kind are not what they desire to prove their sincerity by acts, by a thorough change of life and manners.

POSITION OF FATHERS CONTRASTED.

While the pastors of churches had taken no steps to interfere with the refractory and lawless members of their respective congregations he showed why he had taken up the question so warmly in his church. Regarding this he pointed out in a very eloquent strain how his position as a Catholic pastor differed from that of other sectarian churches. He was no paid official, called by the people, who could be dismissed at their pleasure. He was appointed to the position he occupied, and his duty was to tell them, irrespective of their position or standing in society, what was right and what was wrong. He was in the sight of God responsible for the souls of his people, and felt bound to direct them to avoid evil and do good, and this without fear or respect to persons.

THE PRIEST THEN SAID:—"I am not supposed under these circumstances to take for my guide or example the man who depends on the good will of a few seasons or months of a few old women for his position and means of support." He then alluded to St. John when he denounced King Herod for living with his brother's wife, and said that great man spoke regarding his wife and was believed by the order of the king. Here Father Walsh related a story of a vision where a holy man saw the souls of the departed in the flames of hell; that during life that priest had failed to rebuke his parishioners out of human respect, and continued:—"I don't want to carry any more of that kind of a burden on my shoulders. I don't want to see the souls of my parishioners in hell." At this remark smiles could be seen on the countenances of most of the congregation.

NOT A FAULT.

The reverend father then spoke of the use of wine, ale and champagne, and said the wealthy man could go down to the West and drink his champagne, wine and ale, and a poor man could have his beer if he wanted it; that he, Father Walsh, had frequently gone into a poor man's house and the man would say to him, "I would rather see you here than in your own house than in some low slum or tenement house." As I said before, men may be themselves all sorts of men, but they should be on the approach of the priest he would try to hide it. "In cases of this kind I would say, my good brethren, that it would rather see you here than in your own house than in some low slum or tenement house." As I said before, men may be themselves all sorts of men, but they should be on the approach of the priest he would try to hide it.

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