

RUMOR TELS OF BOER OVERTURE

Junior Partner of the British Empire, With a Constitution Practically American.

Peculiar Feminine Influence at the Bottom of Opposition to the Danish Treaty.

London, April 12.—Among the many peace rumors this morning the most interesting is that the Boers have intimated that they are willing to come into the British empire as junior partners...

Utrecht, Holland, April 12.—Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal agent, and other Boer leaders had a long conference yesterday evening. Dr. Leyds afterwards asserted that the meeting was not connected with their conference proceedings at Klerksdorp...

Belgian Rioters Are Reported Properly Awed

Brussels, April 12.—The rioters have been temporarily awed by the overpowering display of armed force. Up to noon today no further disturbances had occurred here.

with the disturbances, so long as the troops remain loyal. The strike continues to spread in the central coal districts. Elsewhere the socialist leaders are trying to keep the men at work until Monday or Tuesday, when they contemplate an important movement.

What Will Come of British Cabinet Meeting?

London, April 12.—It is reported from Pretoria that the Boer conference at Klerksdorp was still sitting Friday afternoon. All official information in London is to the effect that no overture or communication of any sort has been made by the Boer leaders to Great Britain...

question of suppressing the United Irish league is put forward in some quarters. It is understood that Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, are both well enough to attend the cabinet meeting. Both the chancellor of the exchequer and the colonial secretary attended the cabinet council to-day.

Boer War Discussed by Sienkiewicz, the Novelist

Paris, April 12.—Le Journal, which is securing "eminence" opinions in regard to South Africa, has published a communication from M. Sienkiewicz, the well-known Polish novelist, in which it is stated that the Boers are in reality only colonialists in South Africa...

vanquished. And then what a chance in their misfortune to be vanquished by Prussians. "Considering the relations of England with Australia or Canada, it must be hoped that the United Kingdom will leave the Boers their autonomy and that their language, religion, and customs will only be respected but protected by the sovereign state. It is certain, also, that King Edward VII., or one of his successors, pledging the honor of the crown and the dynasty, guaranteed the Boers by his royal word the enjoyment of their rights and privileges—as was done to the Poles by King Frederick William III.

Women Oppose Ratification of Danish Treaty

London, April 12.—The real leader in the opposition to the ratification of the treaty which sells the Danish West Indies to the United States is Princess Marie d'Orleans, wife of Prince Valdemar of Denmark. She is actively supported by the Empress Dowager of Russia. This fantastic coalition of royalist France and autocratic Russia hopes to prevent the removal of a notable source of trouble between Germany and the United States.

jects of a free government are not chattels to be transferred without their consent from one owner to another. The truth is that the anti-sale faction is guilty of gross inconsistency in clamoring for a popular vote before the transfer of the territory and then reporting in favor of a vote by the property owners, in which the mass of the king's island subjects can have no part. Nothing in reality has been settled by the three reports presented to the landsting. The lower house will never join the landsting in making a property owners' election, and after the impasse between the two chambers ratification followed by a popular vote will be the mutual compromise.

Macedonians to Rise and Invade Turkey

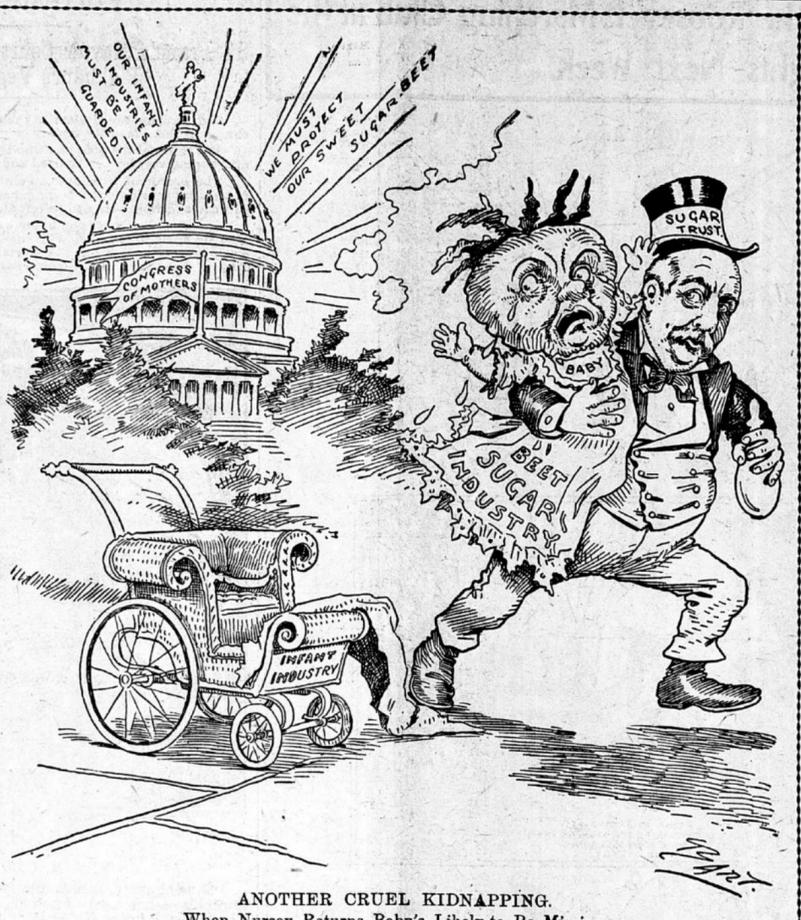
Sofia, Bulgaria, April 12.—A proclamation has been issued by Sarafoff, the Macedonian leader, calling on the Macedonians in Bulgaria to join in a general rising April 27.

bands collecting on the Turkish frontier are to co-operate and invade Turkey at different points.

Situation in Turkey Is Most Threatening

London, April 12.—Although taken separately, recent communications from Constantinople to the various European capitals show little more than isolated acts of serious persecution on the part of the sultan, together with the fact that the sultan is apprehensive of a formidable armed uprising on the part of the young Turks, and is taking most extraordinary means of suppressing it.

make the arrest, and left one midnight with sixteen military officers in a launch for that purpose. This fog, however, prevented their progress and they were unable to land at Halderpasha at 2 o'clock in the morning. Here they immediately procured a special steamer, the island of Prinkipo, and thence were conveyed to Prinkipo in small boats. Two or three other officers living in Prinkipo were also arrested. Advice from Athens are that the Hellenic government, at the urgent request of the Porte, has forbidden all export of arms and munitions of war across the Turkish frontier, while an authoritative communication from Constantinople to the Cologne Gazette states that the Macedonian secret society is displaying a great deal of energy. Collisions between regular soldiers and bands of men have occurred, also murders of Christians, and arms and ammunition have been discovered and seized by the Turkish authorities. Extensive precautions are taken by the latter, and the railway patrols are being reinforced in order to prevent sudden descents by roving bands.



ANOTHER CRUEL KIDNAPPING. When Nursey Returns Baby's Likely to Be Missing.

four hours an order was issued that no one should land who had not his passport in perfect order. As it was highly probable that none of the people had any passports at all, the British ambassador, representing the ship, and the American minister, on the part of the American passengers, started negotiations to secure the landing of the tourists. The result, after long discussion, was that a steamer went to meet the Celtic in mid-Marmora, conveying delegates from the minister of police and the British and American consulates. These boarded the Celtic and examined the passengers, and all those who were not suspicious-looking persons finally received tickets allowing them to land whenever they pleased.

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London, April 12.—The British steamer Kinfauns Castle, homeward bound from the Cape of Good Hope, with 350 passengers, stranded off Bright Stone, Isle of Wight, at 3 o'clock this morning. The sea is calm, but the vessel's position is dangerous. The passengers and mails are being taken off by tug.

London, April 12.—The Financial News says it is stated that the loan of \$5,000,000 to be raised by Korea will be financed in the United States instead of Japan.

SELECTIONS FROM THE FOREIGN NEWS SCRAP HEAP

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A ROYALTY WHO IS REALLY BEAUTIFUL



GRAND DUCHESS SERGE OF RUSSIA. Most beautiful of Queen Victoria's granddaughters will help her husband to represent the czar at the coronation.

Correspondence of The Journal. London, March 23.—Visitors to the coronation will have the opportunity of seeing, in the person of the Grand Duchess of Russia, a royal personage who really is good looking. Of course, no right-minded fashionable journal ever permitted itself to describe a royal personage of the gentle sex as otherwise than fascinating in appearance, but that does not make it any less an event to discover a royal "beauty" who is really attractive. The Grand Duchess Serge, who with her husband, the Czar's uncle, is to represent the czar at the coronation, is an almost ideal beauty. She always has been known as the best looking of Queen Victoria's many granddaughters. It is not, however, on account of her beauty or her exalted position that the grand duchess is most interesting, but because she was one of the figures in a royal romance which made an end of a commotion in Europe at the time, and which might have had important consequences if the wishes of the two most concerned had been consulted. No less a person than the German emperor was the other royalty who figured

WHY DID GOTHAM POLICE REVOLT?

One Member of the "Foorce" Says It is Simply a Desire to Secure a Fair "Divvy."

"New York Will Be Dry as Sahara's Desert Till the Captains Come Down."

New York, April 12.—Look out for the hidden motive when you see the metropolitan police force acting apparently in the interest of better morals. The present enforcement of the excise law is highly satisfactory as a concrete fact. It has shown that the city can be made "dry," that if the police flat goes forth and the saloonkeepers understand that it means business, open side doors will be as hard to find as hummingbirds' nests. Sunday the city was tight closed. Even the delicatessen shops had to shut up. The outside a hotel or a drug store. In ten years there hasn't been so arid a Sunday. The common patrolman did it.

Version of "the Honest Man on the Post"

Now list to the case of the "honest man on the post," as outlined by himself—not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence of bad faith: "This is a strike for a fair divvy. That's all there is to it. Since the Liquor Dealers' Association got into the game the patrolman hasn't had a fair shake. In the old system the saloonman went to the sergeant and says, 'Sarge, what's the tax?' And the sarge says, 'So much, and my mail'll be in to see you Saturday evening.' That was all right. The man on the post got a little bit, and he passed on the bunch to the sarge who got his little bit, and the rest went to the captain, and he generally needed it. The roundsman kept in the game by making a little extra touch here and there. The Liquor Dealers' Association has spoiled that game. They put up a certain amount of money in each precinct. That goes direct to the captain, and makes the sarge get a look-out for the rest goes 'up higher' where it will do the most good. But where does the man on post come in? He gets his orders not to touch any association joint. So he has to make a living out of the little fellows that ain't in the association. That's how there are so many raids in the non-association saloons. Some of them got sore and closed up and now there's nothing doing for the patrolman. It got to a point where we had to do something or live on our salaries."

Office and Aristocracy

Latter Being Broken Down by Success of Labor Candidates. Mayor Jones of Toledo Sees Great Good in Elevation of Workingmen.

Woefully Discouraging but True, Nevertheless

It isn't encouraging to public morality, but this is the true state of the case. The fault of dealing with police problems lies a belief in the honesty of the rank and file of the force. Roosevelt started it when he was police commissioner and thereby originated a fraud on the public that has since been pompously perpetuated by such men as Bishop Potter, Seth Low and others of that ilk. The newspapers, too, have been an efficient force in this respect, retarding, ad nauseam, the driving axiom that "the man on post is honest in nine cases out of ten."

Political "Dirt" at "Amen Corner" Dinner

Under a purely social guise a curious and none too fair game of politics was played last week in the "Amen Corner" dinner. The Amen Corner is the political end of the Fifth Avenue Hotel lobby where the fifth avenue and the political reporters of the New York papers gather to talk over the situation and get the news of the day. The dinner scheme was originated by the newspaper men as an honor to Senator Platt. It was supposed to be on the plan of the famous Gridiron club of Washington, made up of the Washington correspondents. Invitations to his dinners are more sought after than cards to any other function in the country. But the Amen Cornerers failed to follow the Gridiron lead in its successful essential. Nothing said at the Washington club's festivities is ever allowed to get into the public prints, to put it mildly, know that they can speak with perfect confidence in the good faith of their hosts. The Amen Corner dinner, on the contrary, so filled the papers next day—even being advertised beforehand—that it had the unpleasant appearance of a bit of self-exploitation on the part of the originators. And here is where the political aspect of the occasion was evident. Had the speeches and jokes been confined between the four walls, what was said would have been of little account. But coming out in print as they did, they made it very evident that one object of the dinner, if not the main one, was to put Mayor Low in a ridiculous position. I sat near enough to him to see his expression as the jokes and jibes of his hosts at him and at his administration went on, and it was not a pleasant sight; in fact it made one wish that he had stayed away. At first the Mayor looked rather unhappy, but after the evening, it must be said that he bore the ordeal with dignity—even with good humor where many men would have risen and left the place. Such a mode of attack can hardly hurt Mr. Low in the public estimation; but I should judge that next time the Amen Corner managers will find it difficult to induce public men to accept of hospitality which, to put it mildly, doesn't quite come up to the Arab mode.

Jogs Up New York Central Directors

Apparently the matter of reform of the New York Central's "sweet-box" tunnel has fallen out of the public notice. But the chief organ of the electricians has joggled the directors up a bit by failing to get into the public prints that electricity cannot be used satisfactorily as motive power in the tunnel. This journal, which is high standing and authoritative, says pretty plainly that the railroad people are perversely and unreasonably refusing to produce any "electrical engineer whose opinion is worth 10 cents" to back up the statement. Up to now they haven't produced.

Wall Street and the Artificial Advance of Prices

The artificial advance of stock prices went on in Wall street, continuing necessarily the natural rise of money rates. The bank statement also showed the effect of the Chicago manipulation, but the banks are not the whole thing any more; the trust companies are big money lenders and, while the banks are down near their legal reserve limit, there is no check upon the trust companies. So the speculation may go on for some time. If the public comes in, all may be well for the Chicago clique and Wall street. Otherwise there may be trouble, specifically, particular trouble—no general losses. So far the outsider is staying out.