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It Begins This Afternoon!

A story that will come home to every one who has designing relatives.

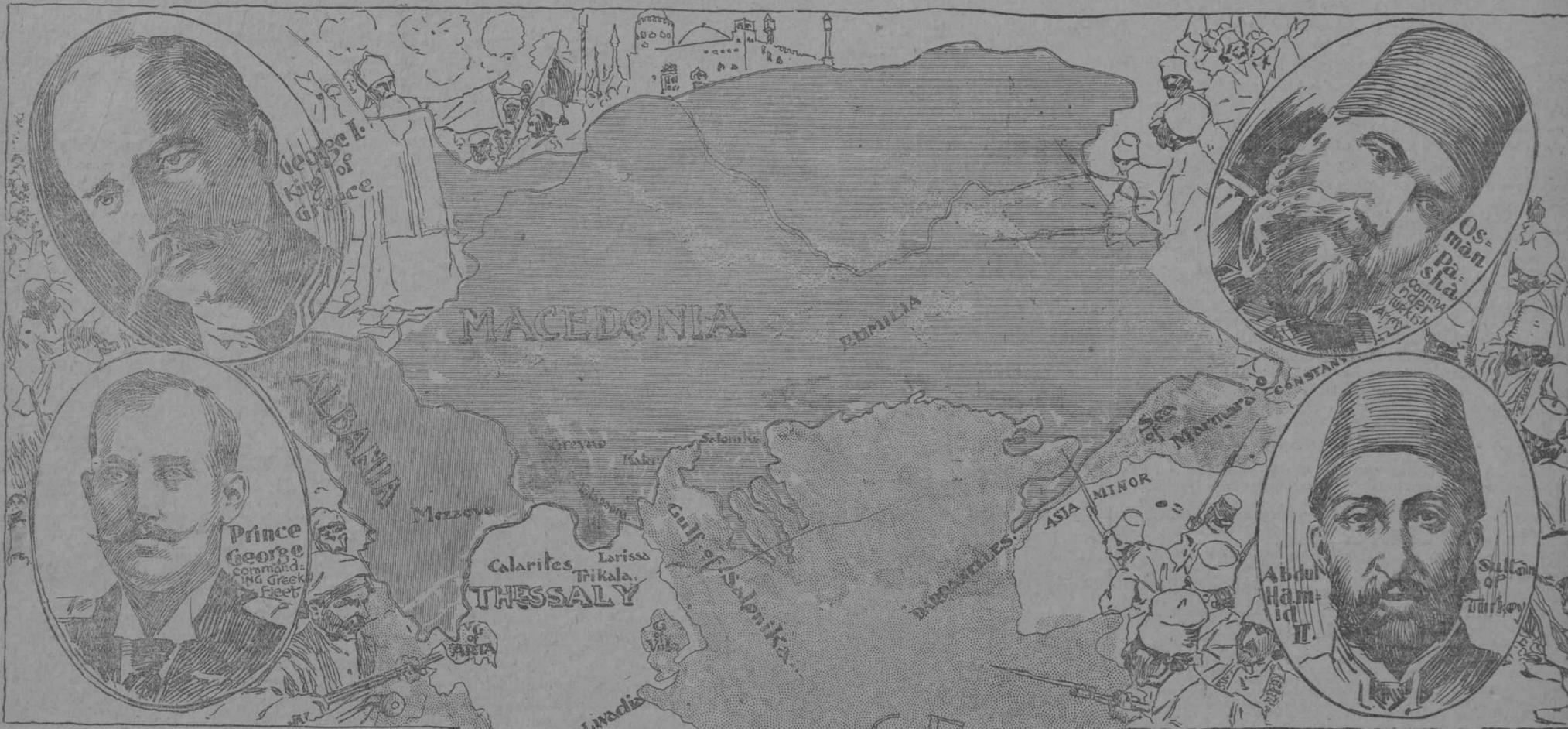
Lovers Parted by Mystery.

A tale from real life! Who by? Read it in the Evening Journal.

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WHERE WAR MAY BREAK OUT TO-DAY IN EUROPE.

VIAL EXPLODED IN A HIRED CAB.

The Vehicle Had Just Left the Door of the Lotus Club with One of the Members.

Its Windows Were Shattered and the Occupant, Jacob Schnitzer, Was Rendered Unconscious.

Police Completely Mystified, as the Cab Belonged to a Union Stable and Mr. Schnitzer Declares He Hasn't an Enemy in the World.

IT WAS not the "mystery of a hansom cab," but of a couple that was a general topic of discussion yesterday at the Lotus Club, the Windsor Hotel and on Fifth Avenue, in the vicinity of Forty-sixth Street.

The Lotus gave a "smoker" Saturday evening, at which a vaudiville entertainment was presented. Among the members attending was Jacob Schnitzer, of No. 132 East Seventy-third Street. Shortly after midnight Mr. Schnitzer, cooling in his home, was given a carriage cab by the clerk. A coupe, with two horses, was at the curb, a man opened the door of the carriage and closed it after Mr. Schnitzer entered.

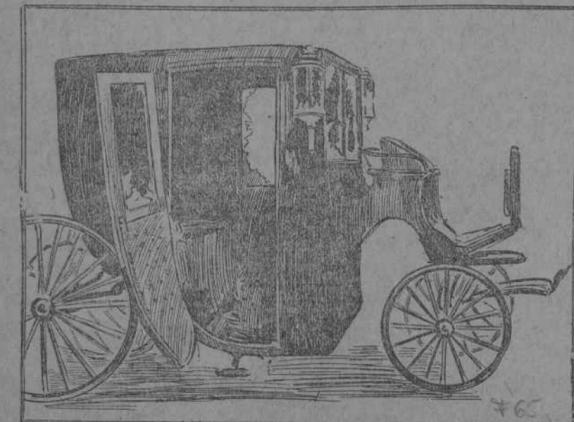
Thirty seconds later, before the carriage had quite reached the Windsor House corner, less than half a square distant, an explosion occurred in the cab of such violence as to shatter into small bits the solid French plate-glass in the three windows of the vehicle. The driver was lifted from his seat by the impact, and the muffled

report of the explosion was heard two blocks away.

Mr. Schnitzer says he instinctively threw his arms up to protect his face as he felt the shock, and thinks he must have been completely stunned, for he has no recollection of what happened after that until he found himself on the sidewalk, with several men supporting him. To his surprise he found he was uninjured, although to put it in his own words, he felt as if he had been "blown out of a cannon."

An investigation of the cause of the explosion began almost instantly, and has been continued ever since. Up to a late hour last night no definite solution of the mystery had been made. Patrolman Green, who was near at hand, ordered the damaged carriage driven immediately to the Fifty-first Street Police Station. Mr. Schnitzer, whose first words, as soon as he had recovered himself, were, "I want an investigation of this made at once."

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COUPÉ IN WHICH A MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSION OCCURRED.

While Jacob Schnitzer, a member of the Lotus Club, was being driven from the door of the clubhouse late on Saturday night there was a sudden explosion in the cab and Mr. Schnitzer was rendered unconscious. The matter is a mystery to the police.

GREEKS URGE KING TO FIGHT THE TURK

Enthusiastic Soldiers Surround the Royal Palace and Clamor for War Against Mohammedan Oppressors.

Their Sovereign Says He Would Rather Throw Away His Crown Than Yield to Coercion of the Powers.

Admirals of the Foreign Fleet Have a Scheme of Punishment Already Arranged, but Lack Authority to Carry It Out.

By James Creelman.

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ATHENS, MARCH 7.—The answer of Greece to the powers was put in final form today, and will be delivered to-morrow.

It declares that Greece cannot withdraw her army and navy from Crete, and insists that the object of the presence of the Greek forces in the island is to restore order and maintain peace.

The position of King George is justified, and the fact that the purpose of the Greek occupation of Crete is identical with the avowed aim of the European concert is emphasized.

The document is long and argumentative. Greece asks the powers to recognize her honest endeavors to secure peace, and urges them to reconsider the ultimatum. But the refusal to yield to the demand for the withdrawal of the army and navy is absolute.

It is said that Greece suggests the advisability of obtaining a con-

DILKE FEARS NO GENERAL WAR.

His Guarded Replies to Questions About the Critical Situation in Europe Propounded by the Journal.



QUESTIONS SUBMITTED TO SIR CHARLES DILKE.

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The Journal addressed the following questions to Sir Charles Dilke, who is considered one of the ablest Englishmen now in public life:

1. What percentage of Englishmen are opposed to the coercion of Greece?
2. Can the English masses influence the Government against coercion?
3. If Greece declares war on Turkey, is a general European war certain to result?

REPLIES MADE BY SIR CHARLES FOR THE JOURNAL.

I do not propose to write upon your first two questions, as the matter is in too delicate a situation to make it wise to do so.

With regard to your third question, I do not think there is the slightest risk of a general war in Europe arising out of anything that is likely to occur in the Greek islands.

It is my own opinion that a general war is not likely to arise, even out of events which might occur and may occur in Macedonia.

But a general continental partition of Turkey is, in my mind, highly dangerous, and likely in the long run to prove a cause of war.

Truly yours,

CHARLES DILKE,

No. 76 Sloane street, London, S. W., March 6, 1897.

GREECE WILL NOT GIVE IN.

Summary of the Reply to the Ultimatum That Will Be Sent to the Powers This Afternoon.

ATHENS, March 7.—Following is a summary of the reply to the ultimatum of the powers which Greece will hand to the diplomats to-morrow, when the time expires in which a reply can be made:

It will recall that Greece, in 1830, in deference to the wish of the powers, used her influence with the Cretans to induce them to accept the reforms offered by Turkey.

It will point out that the continued unsettled state of the island is proof of the futility of the measures of reform.

With regard to the autonomy of the island, the reply will state that it is for the Cretans to decide whether they will accept it or not.

The reply will declare that the evacuation of Crete by Greece is impossible because peace, to restore which Greek troops and war ships were sent to the island, remains seriously disturbed.