

Mahdi's Head Taken to

LONDON.

New Treaty Made with

MEXICO.

No Religious Parliament in

PARIS.

Demand for Retirement of Chambers from

BERLIN.

WHERE IS THE HEAD OF MAHDI, THE PROPHET?

House of Commons Called on to Start a Quest for the "Relic" Taken by British Troops When His Tomb Was Destroyed.

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LONDON, Feb. 25.—What became of the Mahdi's head is one of the leading questions that will come up for debate in Parliament in a few days. The subject of the massacre of Derwishes after the battle of Omdurman will be added to this unpleasant subject for the benefit of the conscientious public.

Mr. John Morley, one of the leaders of the Liberals, plainly indicated in the course of the Sudan debate in the Commons last night that he would not let the matter rest, whatever reproach might attach to England's name.

After the defeat of the Khalifa and his hordes of fanatics last September at Omdurman, Lord Kitchener and the British troops demolished the tomb of the Mahdi, and the body of the dead prophet was exhumed.

The head was cut off and given to Major Gordon, nephew of General Gordon, whom the Mahdi killed when Khartoum fell. Other officers cut off the dead prophet's fingers for souvenirs.

In Sloane's Museum in London there are several similar disgusting relics of the Sudan campaign, including the skeletons and heads of several chiefs in the Khalifa's army.

It is suspected that the Mahdi's head is also in the museum, but the keepers deny having it. Major Gordon is now in England, but denies keeping the head. He refuses to say what he did with it.

Men of every shade of opinion unite in regretting that Lord Kitchener considered the dispersal of the Mahdi's remains necessary. His apologists suggest that in the process of growing thoroughly imbued with the feelings and ideas of the East, Lord Kitchener has lost touch with the feelings and ideas of the West. They further plead that in order to lessen the dangers of a recurrence of Arab fanaticism, the Sirdar took the only course known to Eastern administrators as effective.

In truth, however, English sentiment has not been much moved over the matter. Mr. Morley may get a mild approval of a majority in Commons, but if a vote inferring censure on Lord Kitchener or the troops should be taken a large majority would favor their action.

Englishmen have outgrown the time when the bodies of Cromwell, Ireton and Bradshaw were exhumed and their heads exhibited till carried off by relic hunters, but the country has not outgrown treating revolting Sepoys or Soudanese after the old-time fashion as being the most suitable and effective way.



The Empress of Germany in a Riding School.

AMERICAN COUPLERS MUST BE ADOPTED.

British Officials Astonish the Public by Admitting They Learned Something Abroad.

London, Feb. 25.—An announcement very flattering to the United States was made in the House of Commons this week, when the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. C. T. Ritchie, promised to introduce a bill to compel railroad companies to adopt automatic couplers.

Mr. Ritchie, in so doing, said that the assistant secretary having charge of the railway department of the Board of Trade, Mr. Francis J. S. Hopwood, recently returned from a mission to the United States and had reported highly in favor of the American system. He showed indignantly that there had been a great saving of life since the adoption of automatic couplings on the American railroads.

The Daily News, commenting on the above, says: "An interesting feature of the proposal is that it is frankly avowed to be the result of a lesson from experience in the United States. Our public departmental officers have not been very ready to admit that they had anything to learn from abroad, least of all the Board of Trade."

THE KAISER'S PLANS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Will Visit Odenburg and Wilhelmshaven and See a Force Depart for China.

Berlin, Feb. 25.—Emperor William will proceed to Odenburg about the middle of next week in order to visit the reigning house. There he will go to Wilhelmshaven, where he will stay on board the flagship Kaiser Friedrich III. during the preparation of the marine contingent which is to sail for Kiao-Chow and replace the troops now there.

His Majesty will witness the departure of this contingent, and it is expected he will address the force and speak in the naval harbors. He may then visit Heligoland and inspect the mine-protections.

PAVONIA'S PASSENGERS BOUND FOR NEW YORK.

They Sail from the Azores on the Portuguese Steamship Vega.

Ponta Delgada, Azores, Feb. 25.—The passengers of the Cunard line steamer Pavnica, which was towed into St. Michael's, Azores Islands, in a disabled condition on February 18 by the steamer Weifsson, have embarked on board the Portuguese steamer Vega, Captain Coelho, from Lisbon on February 17 via this port for New York.

The Vega left for New York this evening.

NICARAGUA REVOLT GETS ITS QUIETUS.

Munoz, Nicaragua, Feb. 24.—President Zelaya's army, under Generals Saenz and Leonis Estrada, has captured Chief Mountain and Agua Caliente, thus virtually separating the Bluefields revolution.

ROSTAND DECLARES "CYRANO" IS HIS OWN.

The French Playwright Laughs at the Claim of Gross, of Chicago, to the Play.

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Paris, Feb. 25.—M. Rostand, author of "Cyrano de Bergerac," has just concluded his depositions in answer to the charges brought against him by Mr. Gross, of Chicago, who claims that the now celebrated play is only a plagiarism on a piece written by himself some time ago.

M. Rostand said to the Journal correspondent to-day that the accusation was utterly absurd.

"I finished my play in 1896," he said, "long before Mr. Gross had his comedy copyrighted. I never heard of Mr. Gross nor of his comedy until he began his action against me. I neither read nor speak English. I have never spoken to an American regarding my plays or my play until now that the case has come before the public. My play ought in itself to be a sufficient refutation of the charge of plagiarism."

THINK THE MEAT BILL NOT SEVERE ENOUGH.

Butchers' Federation Wants It to Provide for a Double Inspection of Imports.

Berlin, Feb. 25.—The Butchers' Federation joins with the Agrarians in opposing the meat inspection in its present form and has issued a circular asking for an agitation force to add the Agrarians. The Federation insists that the bill shall contain a provision for a double inspection of all foreign meats.

The *Vossische Zeitung* says the Federation thus places itself in opposition to the interests of German meat consumers in rendering imports more difficult and raising prices.

A number of Saxonia manufacturers have petitioned the Saxon and imperial governments, complaining that many Americans visit the German text and other factories, spying upon their methods and inducing the employees to betray trade secrets and other data to the United States. They ask the authorities to interfere.

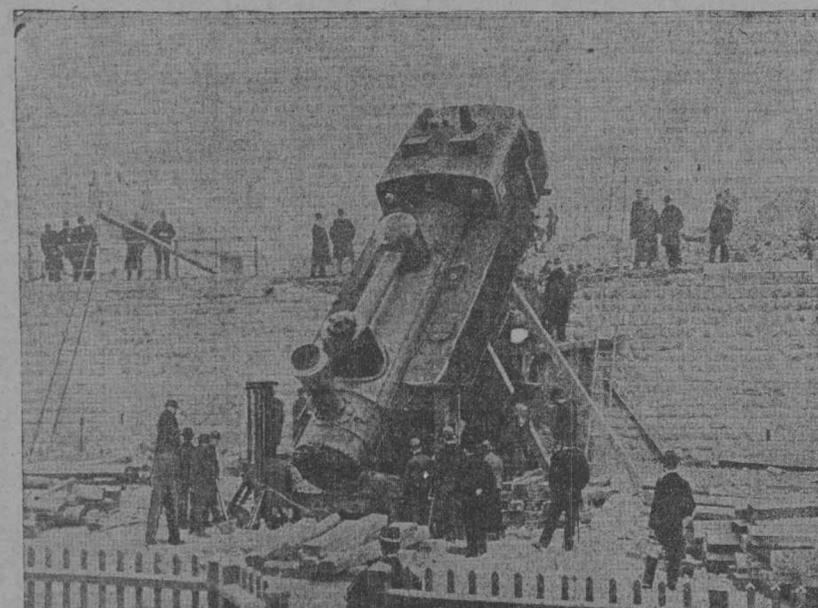
ENGLAND "HOLDS UP" THE PACIFIC CABLE.

Australian Official States That the Question Is Held in Abeyance by the Home Government.

Vancouver, Feb. 25.—Australian advice quote Premier Reid as saying that the question of a Pacific cable is "hung up" pending a decision of the home government.

At the last conference of the Australian premiers it was decided to support the proposal for a Pacific cable and terms were drawn for the acceptance of all the colonies, together with Canada and England.

The imperial government seemed at first to agree with the proposal, but since then it has favored the alternative route via the Cape (touching at British islands on the way) proposed by the Eastern Extension Company. So far the whole matter is in abeyance.



Strange Railroad Accident in Vienna.

"CALL CHAMBERS FROM SAMOA!"

Germans Insist He Is an Improper Person to Represent the Governments.

Berlin, Feb. 25.—United States Ambassador White has conferred several times this week with Baron von Richthofen, Under Secretary of the Foreign Office, on the recent troubles in Samoa and has received several documents in support of Germany's views of the situation.

The German Ambassador at Washington, Dr. von Holleben, has represented to the United States Government, informally, the advisability of recalling Mr. William Chambers, Chief Justice of Samoa. The German Government is of the opinion that Mr. Chambers, since the publication of the letter to his brother, which appeared in the newspapers of the United States, is an "improper person to represent the three governments at Samoa."

It is further said that he was put there in order to represent the protecting Powers and that for him to criticize one of these Powers "makes him manifestly unfit to serve any longer in his present capacity."

Mr. Chambers's letter has greatly stirred up public feeling in Germany, and nearly the entire press assert that, by the letter, Mr. Chambers has "gloriously manifested his unfitness for his position."

Some of the papers declare that, inasmuch as Germany, the United States and Great Britain have declared their intention to maintain the basis of the Samoa act, while Mr. Chambers, by his acts and words, has put himself outside the act, he can no longer be considered a proper mandatory of the signatory Powers.

MADMAN THOUGHT A MAID A MURDERER.

Birklin Imagined He Saw His Former Assistant, and Broke the Girl's Arm and Nose.

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London, Feb. 25.—Hubert Birklin, a wealthy Englishman, was nearly killed at Tangier last May by Owen Callan, one of the noted Monsoon gang of swindlers. Birklin returned to England suffering from permanent brain injuries, and has been staying at the Midland Grand Hotel.

Recently, while in delirium, he imagined that Callan was again attempting to murder him. Clad only in his pajamas, Birklin dashed out of his room and entered the apartments of Lady Affleck. Thinking that her maid was the assassin, Birklin violently attacked the helpless girl, and before he could arrive had broken her arm and nose.

The girl, however, has recovered and has been taken into the seclusion of the country.

KAISER GRATEFUL TO THE BULGARIA'S CREW.

His Majesty Wires to the Director of the Hamburg-American Line, Asking for the Sailors' Names.

Berlin, Feb. 25.—Emperor William's dispatch to the director of the Hamburg-American Steamship Line, congratulating the company on the happy issue of the Bulgaria's experiences, says:

"With deep gratitude to God, who has so marvelously saved the ship and crew, I express my warmest congratulations on the saving of the Bulgaria."

"Captain Schmidt, like a true German seaman, and with a firm trust in God, victoriously carried on a life-and-death struggle for twenty-four days against the ocean, assisted by a crew, gallant and self-sacrificing, devoted to duty."

"As a mark of my recognition of his services I bestow on Captain Schmidt the Cross of Commander of the Hohenzollern Family Order."

You will communicate to me the names of the crew who are deserving of distinction."

The Secretary of the Navy, Admiral von Tirpitz, the Reichsmarineamt, delivered a warm eulogy of the Bulgaria's captain and crew, whose behavior, he said, "cannot be overpraised. It is a model of courage, joy and pride, and which is testimony to the efficiency of our merchant fleet."

2,000,000 CHINESE ON THE VERGE OF STARVATION.

American Residents of Chee Foo Call on the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce for Help.

San Francisco, Feb. 25.—The American residents in Chee Foo, China, have sent an appeal to the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, requesting that a ship load of corn be sent for the relief of 2,000,000 Chinese in Shang Tung province.

The unprecedented floods of the Yellow River have destroyed crops, and the limited population along the great river is in the verge of starvation. The appeal, which is signed by John Fowler, Hunter Roberts, W. B. Eitrich, George Corvill and C. B. Downing, says the people of Shang Tung subsist on corn.

The Chamber will act at its next meeting.

Johann Friedrich Said to Have Gone Down.

London, Feb. 25.—The German bark Johann Friedrich, Captain Lamerck, from London, for Philadelphia, eight of whose crew were picked up on February 12, one hundred and fifty miles east of the Azores by the British steamer Kasbek, is said to have foundered on February 20. The remainder of the crew, consisting of seven men, including the captain, escaped in another boat, which was sought for by the Kasbek, but could not be found.

WANT A TREATY OF ARBITRATION.

English Officials Expect Ambassador Choate to Begin Negotiations.

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LONDON, Feb. 25.—In English official circles there is a great expectation of increasing harmonious relations between Great Britain and the United States through the mediation of Ambassador Choate.

As far as can be ascertained the current reports are based on the mere hope that Ambassador Choate has been instructed to take the initiative and press forward negotiations looking to a renewal of a general arbitration treaty, under which the settlement of the Alaskan boundary dispute might be referred if the rupture of the Joint High Commission prove final.

The Journal correspondent has been assured that there is no likelihood of trouble on account of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty.

A PLACE OF REFUGE FOR THIEVES NO MORE.

American-Mexican Extradition Treaty Signed by the Countries' Representatives.

City of Mexico, Feb. 25.—The extradition treaty negotiated between Mexico and the United States has been signed by Foreign Minister Mariscal and Ambassador Powell Clayton.

The treaty, which is predicated upon the proposition made by Mexico in 1885, is to have a retroactive effect, so as to cover the cases of fugitives from justice during the interregnum between the old and the new treaty.

The convention broadens the embezzlement clause to cover not merely public moneys, but all defalcations or thefts.

Ledue Cannot Appeal His Case.

London, Feb. 25.—The Privy Council has refused Joseph H. Ledue permission to appeal from the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in the Three Rivers election contest.

GOMEZ CONFERS WITH GEN. BROOKE

Long Private Interview Between the Two Commanders.

HAVANA, Feb. 25.—General Maximo Gomez, accompanied by two aides-de-camp, called upon General Brooke at his residence, at Vedado, at 10 o'clock this morning. He was received by the Governor-General, General Chafee, the Chief of Staff, Major Kennon, and Captain Pace.

Gomez requested a private interview with General Brooke, and the others, with the exception of one aide-de-camp for Gomez and Major Kennon for General Brooke, withdrew. The conference lasted an hour and a half. Gomez said nothing to indicate that he does not adhere to the agreement arrived at with Robert P. Porter for the payment and disarmament of the Cuban troops. But he submitted some considerations verbally to General Brooke. Their nature was not disclosed.

The interview terminated with the understanding that Gomez is to put the substance of what he said in writing by Monday next.

J. P. MORGAN GIVES \$25,000 TO ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

The Millionaire Banker with This Sum Will Pay for the Installation of Electric Lights.

London, Feb. 25.—J. Pierpont Morgan is to bear the entire cost, amounting to \$25,000, of the installation of electric lights in St. Paul's Cathedral.

THE HAGUE, Feb. 25.

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The Pope Is to Be Represented at the Peace Conference.

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25c. yard.

50 pieces Whip Cord, 47 inches wide, value \$1.25, at
98c. yard.

A Fable and a Maxim.

A fox once viewed with envious eyes Some grapes, which he thought a luscious prize; But they hung so high 'twas out of his power. To reach them at all, so he said, "They're sour!"

A maxim thus touches you, Which is easy to guess, and equally true; Try the JOURNAL'S MAXIM this Sunday, and The Maxim it gives, 'twas you'll understand! See "Want" Pages To-day.



Count Leveritz von Kotz.

This is the latest picture of Kaiser Wilhelm's Court Chamberlain, who was mixed up two years ago in a sensational court scandal. After serving a year's sentence in prison for killing a man in a duel, he has been reinstated in his office. He is a special favorite with the Kaiser, and was treated like a prince while in prison.

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