

A JAPANESE U. S. WAR.

WHAT WOULD BE BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE TOWARD COMBATANTS?

French Editor Says It Would be Suicide to Take Japan's Part—Would Mean the Loss of Canada and Australia—To Side With United States Might Cause Trouble in India.

New York, Dec. 24.—The Herald has received the following cable despatch from Paris: M. Ernest Jodel, editor of L'Éclair, to-day publishes a leader entitled "England is Committing Suicide." "True, false or premature," he says, "the report of the formation of a British squadron on the Pacific to follow the movements of the American squadrons, and, if necessary, combat them, has caused violent emotion among the Americans."

He refers to a leader in The New York Herald, which stated that the Japanese alliance on the one hand and on the other an obligation based on racial interests and blood relationship to co-operate with the United States rather than against it in conflict, Britain was between the devil and the deep sea, and then continues:

"Nothing can embarrass British scruples. Already in the Russo-Japanese conflict, which she conceived, prepared and precipitated with a magnificent lack of conscience, Great Britain gave the measure of her sentiments of Christian fellowship. When the question arose whether the Asiatics should be repelled or aided, whether their first offensive move against the west was or was not a terrible menace, the London Cabinet did not hesitate. It betrayed its commonality of blood and religion. It settled the irreparable Port Arthur incident in such a manner that Russia could not effect an understanding with Japan. It would be more scandalous and dangerous to abandon the Americans than to march against the Siam."

"One divines that the Yankies are pressing a question which implies a somewhat anguishing response for the Campbell-Banerman Cabinet and King Edward. The days are approaching when it will be necessary for them to answer the question, and it is natural that President Roosevelt's action and that Admiral Evans' departure should have thrown the Foreign Office into an extraordinary quandary. The decision is more painful because, through the necessity of sacrificing to Japan her good relations with America, Great Britain would strike a blow at her best colonies, Canada and Australia."

"Here again particularly the yellow peril is an obsession which doesn't permit British scepticism to tergiversate freely."

"Canada, like the United States, means to stem the invasion of Japanese colonies, and Australia is arming on land and sea to resist Japanese immigration by force."

"The Morning Post recently resumed the plans and ideas of Mr. Deakin, the Australian Premier, in the following terms:

"If Mr. Deakin's project is accomplished Australia will within a short time become the most powerful of all the dominions for its military point of view. The scheme is the confirmation and crowning point of the Australian's modern policy, which demands a white Australia, so that it shall be impossible that invaders, yellow or other, can definitely put foot upon the continent."

"Once again is demonstrated the profoundness of this truth: It is easier to do one's duty than to know it. Great Britain would commit suicide if she separated from America and her best colonies in the approaching war with Japan. On one hand, how can she resign herself to managing without Japan, which could render her such great services in Asiatic waters? and, on the other hand, now can she quarrel with Japan at the risk of stirring up formidable insurrection in India and elsewhere?"

"As the ultimate importance of the naval measures taken by President Roosevelt becomes plainer, the more their consequences appear infinite and impassionating."

FIRST LYNCHING IN OKLAHOMA.

Negro Hanged in New State and Riddled With Bullets.

Muskogee, Okla., Dec. 24.—Riddled with bullets, the body of James Garden, a negro, is hanging from a telegraph pole to-night in Henrietta, Okla., a coal mining town thirty miles southwest of here, as the result of the first lynching in the new State. Garden was shot at day shot and killed Albert Bates, a white man, because Bates, who is a well known liverman, refused to rent a rig to the negro. Garden said Bates was discriminating against him because of his color, and going across the street for a pistol. Garden returned and killed Bates. Garden was lodged in jail and to-night a mob of a hundred men battered down the doors of the jail and secured the negro, and hanged him to a nearby pole. They then riddled the body with bullets. There is a negro in the Henrietta jail who, it is feared, will be lynched before morning.

Murray Stephens, the Wahash engineer, held responsible for the diamond crossing wreck near St. Thomas, has been released from jail by order of the Government.

U. S. FLEET.

Port of Japan to Give it a Warm Welcome.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 24.—Port of Spain is preparing to welcome the American fleet of battleships with hospitality and good fellowship. Daylight showed the warships anchored in four-column formation about four miles from the wharf. The people crowded the water front to view the imposing array of white ships of war; the entertainment committee had completed their final arrangement, and the town rapidly took on its best holiday attire.

DRUCE GRAVE.

Precautions Taken to Prevent it Being Tamped With.

London, Dec. 24.—Extraordinary precautions are being taken to prevent tampering with the grave of T. C. Druce, which will be opened in the course of the next few days to prove whether or not it contains the body of Druce or a roll of lead. A large force of police was sent to Highgate Cemetery this morning and took up positions on all the approaches to the grave. A special cordon was drawn up around the vault, which is to be rapidly shut in by a high board fence. The structure will be roofed over so that unauthorized persons will have no chance of witnessing the exhumation. Only officials and those directly concerned will be permitted to see the opening of the coffin.

LOST HIS LIVING.

SENTENCE IMPOSED ON DRUNKEN ENGLISH VICAR.

Bishop of Bath and Wells Gave Severe Lecture to Clergyman Who Read Burial and Baptismal Service at a Marriage.

London, Dec. 25.—The Bishop of Bath and Wells has pronounced sentence in the case of the Rev. James H. Taylor, vicar of Isle Abbots, a village in Somersetshire, who had been found guilty of having been drunk while conducting a marriage ceremony. The vicar first read part of the burial service and then part of the baptismal service. Another clergyman had to be summoned to complete the ceremony.

The Bishop, in passing sentence, which deprived Taylor of the living of Isle Abbots and all ecclesiastical promotions and benefits in the diocese, said that if the falling into sin by laymen excited deep sorrow and regret, the fall of a clergyman brought much greater distress, for not only was he expected to set a high standard of consistent life and conduct, but in his fall there was a likelihood of his dragging down others with him who were only too ready to excuse themselves on the ground of his example.

It was therefore necessary that in such a case as this, where evil was not denied, it should be made evident that such a sin could not be lightly dealt with, because of the effect it might have upon people to whom clergymen had to minister.

A MINISTER ARRESTED.

Rev. A. Leonard Parker in the Police Court at Boston.

Boston, Dec. 25.—Rev. A. Leonard Parker, an ordained Episcopalian minister, who preached the Gospel in Canada for years, was arrested and arraigned in the Boston Police Court for the alleged larceny of \$250 from Henry L. Houghton. The case was continued until tomorrow for trial, and Rev. Mr. Parker was released on his own recognizance. The complaint alleges that Parker sold Houghton fifty shares of stock in the Universal Shoe Co. of Brockton at \$5 a share on the representation that it paid a 12 per cent. dividend, when, as a fact it was worth only \$2 a share and did not pay nearly such dividends as claimed.

The clergyman gave up the ministry to better his condition by entering a local brokerage firm. Both complainant and defendant agreed to a continuance, and the minister went away, emphatically claiming that he would have no trouble in proving that the arrest was a mistake and that the stock transaction was thoroughly bona fide in every respect.

Little is known of Rev. Mr. Parker here, but he is said to be widely acquainted in different parts of Canada. The only reason alleged for his having forsaken the ministry is said to be inability to make a much better living as a broker of stocks.

Artist Suicides.

Toronto, Dec. 25.—Last night Leano Stephenson, an English artist, aged 52 and living at 13 Duchess street with his wife and a seven-year-old boy, committed suicide by taking half an ounce of tincture of aconite. For the past two or three weeks Stephenson, who had been in Canada for 22 years, had been in straitened circumstances, and the Salvation Army had been helping him.

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BELLS RANG.

FREE FIGHT IN TORONTO SYNOGUE INSTEAD OF WEDDING.

Detectives and Policemen Had to Enter the Place of Worship and Separate the Combatants—A Romance of the Jewish Colony.

Toronto, Dec. 25.—About 6.30 o'clock last night the police had to take a hand in the climax of a Jewish marriage engagement which has been the topic of conversation in the ward for some months. A year and a half ago Rabbi M. Dickman, who is connected with the Chestnut Street Synagogue, and the author of several well-known books, came out to Canada and with his son and two other members of the family took up residence at 122 Edward street. Dickman came acquainted with Mr. Neusbaum, who lives with his son and family at 28 Agnes street, and as the friendship became more intimate proposed that the families should be more closely united by a marriage between his daughter Sadie, who was then in Austria, and Neusbaum's son, Samuel, who he understood, was possessed of some property. Everything went smoothly until Miss Sadie came to Canada with the rest of the family from Austria some nine months ago. To aid her father in carrying out his bond of agreement with Mr. Neusbaum, Miss Sadie was willing to forego some objections she had to it, and the engagement was announced about six months ago. But the situation instead of getting better grew rapidly worse. The engagement was broken more than once, but renewed at the entreaty of Neusbaum, who gave hopes of consideration downy and personal affection.

Finally the day of the wedding was fixed for yesterday at 7 o'clock at the Chestnut Street Synagogue. The groom took out two licenses, one a few days ago, and the other on Sunday, and prepared the marriage feast and bade the guests. But Miss Sadie and her relatives were now determined that the marriage should not take place. Later last night the Rabbi was summoned by a message from Neusbaum to Chestnut Street Synagogue, where Rabbi Levi and some of his friends wished to discuss the matter. But when Mr. Dickman was once in the synagogue Neusbaum and his friends would not let him out without a promise to proceed with the marriage. His son called up a few friends to the synagogue, where a free-for-all fight was in progress when Detective McKinney, Montgomery and P. C. Prosser arrived and separated the combatants.

BLOWING UP A GOVERNOR.

A Daring Outrage on an Indian Railway.

Calcutta, Dec. 25.—An attempt was made last night to wreck a special train in which Sir Andrew Fraser, Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, and Lady Fraser, with the Governor's staff and a number of police, were travelling, and having regard to the nature of the explosives used the railway officials are astonished that a terrible catastrophe did not occur.

The train was running through the Kharagpur, and when between Udaynagar and Benapur the driver felt the engine lift and bump. Simultaneously he heard a loud explosion. Luckily the train did not leave the rails and the vacuum pipes parted, automatically putting on the brakes. The explosion tore a big hole in the ground, while some sleepers were blown to fragments.

The Statesman, dismissing the theory that the outrage was the work of dis-

affected Bengalis in the Midnapur district, says: "Pieces of shattered sleepers were found at a distance of from 150 to 200 yards away from where the explosion occurred, and we are told that some of them have been sold at as much as 100 rupees (18 2/3) each as mementoes of the first attempt that has been made on the life of a high State official since the assassination of Mr. Justice Norman and Lord Mayo."

TO DIE TOGETHER.

A SUICIDE PACT BY A PHILADELPHIA COUPLE.

George Green, Married Man, Shot Miss E. Wonderly and Then Himself—Both Will Probably Die—Left Letter for the Press.

Philadelphia, Dec. 25.—Leaving a letter that they had died for love, George A. Green, aged 35 years, early today shot and probably fatally wounded Miss Edith Wonderly, aged 22 years, and then turned the revolver upon himself, inflicting probably fatal wounds. Green is married, but is separated from his wife. In a letter which is addressed to the Philadelphia newspapers Green attacks his wife, and among other things says: "To-day I am going to kill myself and a true and loving friend, as my letter and hers will show, which was denied us by her dear mother."

"This is the only girl I ever loved. We have promised before God we would never live apart. This is our secret."

No letters were found in the clothing of the girl. The mother of Miss Wonderly had refused Green permission to visit her home, and the police believe that Green and the girl entered a pact to die together.

After shooting the girl twice, one bullet entering the mouth and the other taking effect in the cheek, Green walked some distance from her and shot himself in the head. No one witnessed the occurrence, but the shots attracted a policeman, who hurried the couple to a hospital. The police and physicians endeavored to secure a statement from the girl before she lapsed into unconsciousness, but she refused to talk.

WITH CLOTHING ABLAZE.

Woman Rushes Out on the Street in St. John, N. B.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 25.—While Mrs. Mary Connell, 600 Main street, was lighting a fire in the kitchen stove this afternoon her clothing caught fire. The family live on the third floor of the house. Mrs. Connell was alone, and when she saw her dress afire she rushed down the three flights of stairs and into the open street. The flames by this time had enveloped her whole body, and as she emerged into the street she presented a fearsome sight.

The terrified woman made a dash for the open door of George Baxter's restaurant, where a man threw his coat around her and put out the fire. She is badly burned, but will recover.

Caused His Death.

Welland, Dec. 24.—Abraham Lampman, aged 55 years, residing four miles south of Wellandport, fell from a building on Friday and was so seriously injured that he died early this morning. He leaves a widow and two sons. He was a well-known farmer, highly respected. Funeral will take place on Thursday at 1 o'clock.

The C. P. R. has increased the capacity of the Great shops, and will employ a large number of additional men after the

MURDER TAUGHT.

BLACK HAND'S CLASS IN ART OF MURDER FOUND.

Found Nineteen Young Men Being Instructed by Experts How to Plant Bombs With Stiletto—Detectives Raid Headquarters in Pittsburgh.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 24.—A squad of local detectives, aided by scores of detectives from other cities throughout the country, this afternoon raided what is supposed to be the headquarters of the Italian Black Hand in this section of the country. At the headquarters the police found, when the raid was made, seventeen young Italians receiving from two teachers instructions in the art of dealing death blows through the Black Hand's favorite weapon, the stiletto.

All of the nineteen men in the place and the lookout were arrested after a severe struggle and are now in the prison at Central Station.

For months Pittsburgh has been terrorized by lawless Italians, who styled their organization the "Black Hand." Several murders have been committed and dozens of persons have paid tribute under fear of death. Pittsburgh has become the headquarters of the Black Hand.

Some weeks ago Captain of Detectives Edward McCough learned that the organization had its headquarters here, and that a school was being held where younger members were taught the use of weapons and the methods of the organization.

Ten cities sent detectives, and for weeks they have been working with the local officers. The raid of this afternoon was the result. The detectives learned first that the headquarters of the gang was located at 37 Clay street, in the heart of the Italian quarter. There is a large room with tables and chairs, back of which is what was supposed to be a kitchen. But the harmless looking range is a forge, and the white-aproned chef is the cleverest stiletto maker in the country, who, besides acting as a lookout, devoted himself to making and sharpening daggers and keeping revolvers and other weapons in order.

There the class was surprised. The seventeen young members were lined up, all naked to the waist, and each armed with a stiletto. Two instructors, Vincenzo Toya and Antonio Nicola, were teaching the class how to use the stiletto, and the exact spot at which to drive it in a victim's back to ensure death.

When the detectives swarmed into the place every one of the nineteen occupants had a stiletto. No word was spoken, but at a sign they made a concerted movement to charge the police. But each officer had a revolver in his hand, and the Italians were overpowered, handcuffed, manacled and thrown into a patrol wagon, having been of which were waiting around a corner. All were safely landed in Central Station.

GRIP SMITES NEW YORK.

Sixty-eight Deaths Took Place Within the Last Week.

New York, Dec. 25.—The city's grip epidemic isn't letting up a bit. It is getting worse. Singers, actors, professional men and clerks are suffering.

There were sixty-eight deaths last week, as compared with fifty-one for the same period last year. The disease is not only serious in itself, but the bacillus affects every known throat and lung disease. Lobar pneumonia caused 27 deaths, against 134 last year; bronchial pneumonia last year, 98; this year, 159.

KEEWATIN AT OWEN SOUND.

New C. P. R. Steamer Makes Trip From Buffalo Safely.

Owen Sound, Dec. 25.—Navigation for the season closed to-day with the arrival of the Kewatin, the second of the big new passenger steamers for the Canadian Pacific Railway. The steamer made the run from Buffalo on Monday morning through heavy weather and without the usual aids to navigation. Capt. E. H. Anderson, commodore of the lake fleet, was in command.

This arrival of the Kewatin brings the value of the steel tonnage in Owen Sound harbor to over three and a half million dollars, as, beside the five fine passenger steamships of the Canadian Pacific Railway, there are eight big steel freighters and other craft which will bring the monetary value over the announced.

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The package was addressed to Archie Carr, 2208 Cherry street, and had been mailed in this city. The following inscription was on the side wrapper:

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