## THE FLIGHT OF

ESTRANGEMENT WITH HER HUSBAND IRREPARABLE

She Is Determined Not to Return to Court-Some Sensational Stories.

Dresden, Saxony, Dec. 23.-King George of Saxony and the Crown Prince Frederick know where the Crown Princess Louise, who fled from her home during the night of December 10th-11th, has sought refuge, but they have decided to accept the estrangement of the Princess and her husband as irreparable. They have made the cabinet privy to the circumstances of the Princess's flight, and a decree of divorce is talked of as a necessary sequence to the William Wainwright, comptroller, re-

This information was announced to her husband early in November, after one of their frequent violent scenes. She confided her intention to separate her confided her confided her intention to separate her confided confided her intention to separate her-celf utterly from the court and 'fall its wretchedness' to two or three of her intimate friends, and discussed with them the impossibility of her longer en-during the artificial etiquette of the court and the "enforced companionship of a man who was loathesome to her." we should be treated as liberally as any other road." The Princess wrote to her mother at the end of November that it was her purpose to leave the Crown Prince and give bia, what is the use of their mineral up the prospect of the queenship, which, lands if these is no railway communicapose to leave the Crown Prince and give instead of being attractive, the Princess frequently said was detestible to her.

mother brought the Archluchess immediately to Dresden. She implored her ern Canada, and they know what our daughter to reconsider her determination and make the best of an unpleasant situation for the sake of her children, and see as little of the Crown Prince whatever with the Canadian Northern. I as permissible. 'The Princess replied, according to one of her confidants, that the the ambition of himself and Mr. Macwould see nothing of "that beast," that kenzie is to build a transcentinental line the tutelage of her children was largely out of her hands, and said she could not bear to see them spoiled by the "hypocrisy of the court."

was his intemperance, his infidelities, and, as her partizans affirm, his cruelty present C. P. R. route." of disposition. They affirm that he has had for years a liasion with an actress named Baste, and it is creditably re-ported at a review of troops at Grimma, a couple of years ago, the Prince fell from his horse intoxicated in front of his regiment. However true these incidents may be, the court and all Dresden knew that a chasm separated the affections of the Crown Princess from the Crown Prince. Although he seemingly had genuine admiration for his wire, the Prince did his share of quarrel-

The Crown Princess's days at Salzburg were spent in controversy with her father and mother, who did not excuse her for a moment in her mad desire to leave her position and family. Her brother, the Duke Leopold Ferdinand, took

his sister's part. circumstances of the Princess's flight are still obscure here. The only fact that seems clear is that the King

The Dresden Nachrichten, one of the principal newspapers, and naving conservative leanings, after saying it could almost be sorry for the Princess, with a disposition incompatible with that of the

peremptorily dismissed by order of the Crown Prince on December 2nd. The tutor has disappeared, and now the Princess has disappeared. Hence it is inferred that they are together some-

An instance of the Princess's disregard of court manners was her cycling through the streets of Dresden with an American dentist who, at her request, taught her to ride a wheel, although the King and Crown Prince commanded her not to learn. The name of this dentist was at first coupled with that of the Princess when it was heard that she had disappeared, but as he is quietly living here with his family, the story was

The Crown Princess was independent and high-spirited, and was inclined to ridicule the observances of the little Sazon court, which takes itself most seriously. The Crown Prince, who has recovered from the injury he recently sustained while hunting, drove out to-day with three of his sons.

The Flight.

Vienna, Dec. 23.—The flight of the Crown Princess of Saxony is the absorbing topic of the day here. All kinds of digestion and Crown Princess of Saxony is the absorbing topic of the day here. All kinds of nsational reports are in circulation. When she left Salzburg, accompanied by her brother, Archduke Leopoid Ferdinand, the Princess went to Munich, where French tutor awaited her. Her brother was also joined there by a beautiful Viennese woman, and the two couples proceeded to Brussels and thence to

It appears that when the Crown Prince return recently to Dresden after his hunting accident in the Tyrol, he discovered secret correspondence exchanged between the Princess and the French tutor, whose former relations with her had created a scandal, resulting in the tutor's expulsion from Saxony. Besides disclosing the couples relations, the letters revealed another scandal. Immediately afterwards, the Princess left her home and went to Salzburg. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure confact that she took a trunk filled with

jewelry and other valuables indicates that she was prepared for emergency. It is reported that Archduke Ferdinand has written to Emperor Francis Joseph renouncing his rank and dignities as a member of the Imperial house, and saying he will become a civil subject. The whole of the Archduke's career is redolent with scandal, dating from the time when he started to accompany the heir to the throne on a tour of the world. He only got so far as Colombo, where he was obliged to leave the ship on account of his scandalous behaviour. The Archduke has since been mixed up in a number of affairs, and was confined for some months in an asylum.

At Geneva. Geneva, Swithzerland, Dec. 23 .- The Crown Princess of Sazony is here under the name of Fraulein Von Oben, her brother, Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, and Professor Giron are at the same hotel. The Archduke has assumed the name of Dubarionio. The party are living quietly and purpose to spend

WORK WILL BE RUSHED.

F. W. Morse on the New Transcontinental Railway.

Montreal, Dec. 23 .- Frank W. Morse, third vice-president of the G. T. R., and Princess's resolution to leave the court turned to-night from a tour through the Northwest in the interest of the Pacific

"What about a land grant?"

"Well, for example, in British Columtion to them? We were welcomed everywhere, and what particularly com-She told members of her entourage she was going to visit her parents at Salz-burg. The letter of the Princess to her system with its double track can do."

After a brief account of the trip, Mr. Morse said: "There are no negotiations notice, too, that Mr. Mann states that

"Our application names two Pacific ports, Bute Inlet and Port Simpson, and as far as we could ascertain, the What she complained of in the Prince grades through the mountains to either

9 FAILURE OF CROPS.

Great, Distress Prevails in China Where
Polling was quite brisk, and continued
until 5 o'clock. The steamer Unican

was chartered to visit the various isl Yokohama, Dec. 4, via San Francisco, ands and pick up the ballot boxes, tak-Dec. 23.—Reports of poor crops and pro-hibitive prices for the staple native food Harbor, the station of the returning reach the Hongkong Telegraph from all officer, Percy Purvis. The result of the polling at Sidney quarters.

Great distress is reported from Amoy and Swatow, while similar accounts and promptly bulletined. It was impossed, that paper from Singapore and other southern ports. Kwangsi and midnight, when the Unican arrived with Kwangtung have experienced similar fealing, and often tried to impose his will upon her, but always hoped she would tures, with the result that the Canton situation is very grave.

Mr. Paterson's friends in the district were jubilant and celebrated their vic-

situation is very grave. As for the Philippines, the rice crop in Pogasina, Camarines and other candidate returned to the city on a speminor provinces have been a failure. cial train shortly after arriving at Sid-Sauaun, the chief exporting port for the Philippines supply, has also suffered in 349, which was 68 in excess of the numits crop through the drought, and the market there has advanced practically 1900. Then there were three candidates. and Crown Prince know where she is, and are in communication with her, but the present that district is bare Paterson Rebeston. and are in communication with her, but it is learned she is absolutely intractable.

Or rice, and is trying to cancel contracts.

It is said that soon no rice will be ob-

OHOLERA AT MANILA.

Prince and disliking the etiquette of the court, suggests that "to find the reason for her disappearance one must find the man."

The man in this case who is associated by gossip with the Princess is a handsome Frenchman, who was the tutor of the Princess's children. He was

How long will it take the man to fill the sack if he does not stop the leak? To attempt to nourish the body when the stomach is diseased is like trying to fill the sack with the hole in it. When the stomach and other digestive and nutritive organs are diseased, there is a constant loss of nutrition.
Enough is eaten but the body loses flesh, plain

proof that the food eaten is largely wasted because it is not Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical

nutrition. It stops the leaks by which nutrition is lost, and enables the

building up of the body by the nutri-tion derived from food. The gain in weight proves the cure. "Three years ago I was taken sick with wha ne doctor called nervousness and indignation

"Three years ago I was taken sick with what the doctor called nervousness and indigestion," writes Mrs. Warren E. Parker, of Orange Street, Nantucket, Mass. "He gave me medicine for the trouble, but I could not eat even a little toast or oatmeal without suffering severely. In a few months I began to have distressing pains right in the pit of my stomach. I called the doctor again and he said I had catarrh of stomach; gave me medicine but it did not do any good. I lost 28 pounds in three months. I then commenced taking Dr. Pierce's medicines and soon began to feel better. I have taken six bottles of "Golden Medical Discovery," two of "Favorite Prescription," and, six vials of Dr. Pierce's Pellets, I have gained ten pounds. Can eat everything."

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ARBITRATION PROPOSAL Pressure Brought on Roosevelt 10 De-cline the Task.

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Two of the Island Stations and Sidney

Give Him Substantial Plurality

North Saanich.

-The Figures.

features. The Premier has been a most

visiting every corner of the constituency,

haven't had a member for many

The last guns in the campaign were

was received in little less than an hour,

Surgoyne Bay

NORTH VICTORIA Washington, Dec. 23.-The formal oposals of Great Britain and Germany that President Roosevelt arbitrate the Venezuelan dispute were not at hand when the cabinet met to-day, but it is stated that they will reach Washington within a day or two. Strong pressure BY A GOOD MAJORITY is being brought to bear upon the President to decline the invitations to act

> papers, from public men throughout the country, and from senators and repre-It is known that the President and all members of his cabinet at first preferred that the whole question should be referred to The Hague tribunal. It is understood that the President's plan, if he determines to arbitrate, contemplate

as arbitrator. This comes from news

Victoria. The result of the polling It is stated that the crucial point to gives T. W. Paterson a substantial macome before the arbitration board is the famous "Calo doctrine." This doctrine, jerity over his opponent, the figures being 196 against 153. It was an uncom- which was laid down by the greatest fortable jar to the government, who had Latin-American international lawyers, been fondly expecting a handsome plur- and for very many years has been reality for their candidate, but the shock Latin-American republics, denies the was especially poignant to Mr. Robertright of any nation to intervene diplo-matically in Behalf of one of its subson and his immediate friends, who felt confident that the islands would more jects where the courts of the country than counteract the superior vote that than counteract the superior vote that they conceded Mr. Paterson would poll are open to his application for justice. Thus Venezuela has asserted that all of these claimants, British, German, Italian and French, might have gone before the Venezuelan courts, and if their causes had been just and so decided by of being first in the field, having been assiduously at work in the district for some time past. He had the assistance the paid the judgment. The objection to some time past. He had the assistance this view is that no account is taken of the paid the paid the judgment. of all the campaign talent and influence that the government could bring to bear. miscarriages of justice, and of racial antipathies. But soll determined are the cabinet ministers themselves going the rounds in a vain attempt to swing victure that some of them have tory their way. The intense concern manifested by the government in this gone to extraordinary lengths in their resistance of diplomatic efforts of foreign bye-election was one of its prominent governments to secure justice for sub-

jects. persistent canvasser, and spent a week It is known that now some members of the cabinet are opposed to referring the matter to The Hague tribunal for with the result, to use his own words, that "he had seen every elector but two." Those two may have helped to these reasons. In the first place they have no desire to submit the Monroe swell Mr. Paterson's majority.

The joint meetings held have been disdoctrine to the arbitrament of any non-American tribunal not even excepting tinguished by the participation of most of the ministers, the Premier, Hon. Mr. the august and eminently fair tribunal of The Hague. They very much prefer Eberts, Hon. Mr. Wells and Hon. Mr. that if this doctrine is to be the subject to convince the electors that Mr. Robert-son was the very man they wanted. This remarkably sudden, tender solicitude for the welfare of North Victoria failed to most of The Hague arbitrators represent work the desired spell, and one old European and monarchical interests, farmer was heard to remark last Saturities realized that their training may be day night: "They only care for us at election time. After that they don't are required to deal with such an esgive a darn. All the promises they can sentially American subject as the Mongive won't make us forget that we roe doctrine.

Ordered to Venezuela. Halifax, Dec. 23.—The British cruiser Pallas has been ordered to Venezuela She sailed this morning.

NO DECISION.

President Roosevelt Has Not Yet Accepted Position of Arbitrator.

Washington, Dec. 22. - President Roosevelt has not accepted the position of arbitrator of the Venezuelan controversy. In fact when the official day closed he had not received, formally, nor officially, a request from the European powers that he act as arbitrator of the dispute. Nothing has arisen during the past 48 hours to warrant the President in changing his opinion as to undesirability of his acceptance of ment. the position of arbitrator. So far as can be learned, no specific reasons have been advanced by the European powers for objecting to reference of the Ven-ezuelans to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal.

While it is recognized by the President's closest advisors and by the President himself that some unpleasant probabilities might attend his perform-

READY TO MARCH ON THE CAPITAL

MANY RECRUITS DESERT **GOVERNMENT FORCES** 

Renewed Activity Among Revolutionists in Venezuela Who Will Attack Caracas From Different Points.

Willemstadt, Island of Curacoa, Dec. The opposition is triumphant in North | the appointment of a board of arbitra-23 .- (By boat from La Guayra.)-The revolutionists, strengthened by the impossibility of the government's suppressing the smuggling of arms and ammunition into the country, and by the fact that it has no longer any fleet at its dealing with the matter. The rebels have regained courage. The gobernment, which signed with them an armistice of ten days, which ends to-morrow, has 3,600 men at Barquisimeto and 2,500 near Caracas, but all others who had onrolled themselves to fight against the foreigners have retired. The revolutionists have planned to a march on Caracas by three roads. The leaders Ramos, Antonio, Gueyara, Urbaneta and Penaloza, with 2,500 men, will march via Guatire; Antonio Fernandez, Osio and Crespo Torres, with 2,500 more, have left Camanagua, and Gen. Rolando, with 2,500 troops, will go from Alta Gracia. Ammunition is expected to arrive every day near Tucacus.

The situation for President Castro is considered to be again perilous. Attacked by foreigners and his own country-men, he can with difficulty resist tho shocks, as the government resources have vanished. The President's departure for La Victoria is for the purpose of trying to check the near advance to the capital of the revolutionists. General Mateos will leave Curacoa shortly. Messages Received.

Washington, Dec. 24.-The proposals f Great Britain and Germany that at Point Ann, four miles from Belle-President Roosevelt arbitrate the Vene- | ville, Ont. zuelan dispute have reached Washing-President can accept or reject the proposition, outright. As the messages were received while the President was \$0,000. The claims are estimated at \$0,000. The claims are estimated at absent from the White House, he has \$105,000.

For the same reason nothing can be gathered here as to the details of the proposals, and although great interest is The Toronto m elt as to the extent of the limitations, tween Mayor Howland and C. C. Robin-dollars, which it is said Floyd had in the which the allies will ask to be placed on the arbitration, curiosity on that point must remain unsatisfied until the President has finally made up his mind what the content of the imitations, tween mayor Howland and C. C. Robinson, both Conservatives, is becoming house, is missing. Itself, and it is flow proposed to have the content of the content o



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BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The five of the remaining prisoners on disposal, have made answer to President | trial in London in connection with the Castro's proposition that they turn their | bank note forgeries were sentenced to arms against the foreigners who have terms of penal servitude ranging from a attacked Venezuela by referring him to year to eighteen months. The sixth this morning with a load of feed. Gen. Mateos, their only chief capable of man got off with one month in prison. The first consignment of the issue of \$250,000 gold dollars minted as souvenirs of the St. Louis purchase exposition have reached the sub-treasury at St. Confirmatory News of the Murder of Louis Mo.

The Louisville, Ky., Courier-Journal says: "Negotiations have practically that owned by the St. Bernard Coal Co. The consideration is \$8,000,000."

tuelan dispute have reached Washing-ton. They are in such form that the defunct private bank at Oakville, Ont., The claims are estimated at

had no opportunity to consider them, and until he does so his decision cannot be known.

It is now practically assured that the residence of Robert Floyd, two miles north of here, was blown up with dynaquarters in London and Chicago, will mite by robbers last night. Mr. Floyd purchase three large cigarette factories was killed instantly, and Mrs. Floyd The Toronto mayoralty campaign be- completely

dent has finally made up his mind what Le shall do.

It is known that he is disposed to act with all speed in this matter, for he realizes that the conditions on the block-



which is to be 130 feet long by 36 feet beam, with an eight-foot hold.

The American barkentine Willie R. Hume, which has been undergoing repairs at Esquimalt, was towed up to

hama on Saturday last. AMUR RETURNS

Chemainus Wednesday morning.

Steamer Oscar came in from Seattle

Steamer Tosa Maru arrived at Yoko-

The Lonisville, Ky., Courier-Journal says: "Negotiations have practically been consummated whereby an eastern syndicate, of which J. Pierpont Morgan is a director, has obtained control of all the coal mines and coal property west of Green River in Kentucky except that owned by the St. Bernard Coal Co. The consideration is \$8,000,000."

A movement is being started by a section of hotel men at Rossland to inaugurate high license regulations. They desire the license raised to a thousand dollars per annum, payable in advance.

D. Moore, one of the best known engineers on the C. P. R., and a Moose Jaw old-timer, is dead, after a brief illness.

The French authorities have become convinced that the death of Mrs. Ellen Gore was accidental, and have decided to drop the case against M. de Rydzewski.

Cement works, with a capital of two millions and a half, are to be located at Point Ann, four miles from Belle-wille Ont

WRECKED BY ROBBERS.

House Blown Up With Dynamite-Man Killed and His Wife Seriously Injured.

Mannington, W. Va., Dec. 24.—The residence of Robert Floyd, two miles was seriously injured. The house was

with all speed in this matter, for he realizes that the conditions on the blockade line are such that almost any moment an unpleasant incident may occur through the obstinacy of some skipper, or from a genuine misunderstanding of the terms of the blockade, that may diminish all chance of a peaceful settlement.

SAD TRAGEDY.

Man Mistaken For a Burglar and Shot by His Brother.

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 23.—About 9 o'clock this morning at Middleport, 12 miles from the city, Wesley Watson was shot and instantly killed by one of his brothers. Two brothers, Samuel and Simple of the second process of the control of the

ficult one, simply because the space has its limitations. Book descriptions and bindings, carded dars, leather goods, drawing an ing materials, together with all stationery must be the general colors with which to produce specification their window decoration the quality of their goods comm tention and inspection. This is son of balls, banquets, soirces in and the demand for suiting appropriate the occasion must be met. has priority over anything else,

VERY BUSY TIM FOR SHOPK

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE MAN

Some of the Specialties Offe toria Establishments Expected To-nigh

The annual pilgrimage to cn. Shopkeepers and their are working overtime, and will be ready for a much Despite the very unfavorable which this city is being s streets are constantly thr shoppers, whose itinerari stores of all classes from the ed butcher establishment to cally arranged drug store. point at this season of the make the windows attractive of the decorations are except done. A noticeable feature the large number of illumi which give the city a gay ap the night. These devices are employed in the American of advertising factors have be

work very successfully. No more beautiful window are to be seen this festive those of Challoner & Mitch ernment street jewellers, premises daily are crowds of admirers. Constructed speci view to attractiveness, the when full of handsome je giass and other ware, inc market (which of late very popular in the East), a ment to the street. Especia does the display look at nig lights of myraid electric l their varied coloring on the lights when reflected on rounding the windows lend as is extremely pretty.

Almost side by side with dows is another elegant disp

jewellery line. It is that w the windows of C. E. Redi Here is to be found an exhibitaneous lines of goods whi quality rather than attract arrangement .. Poultry, sweetmeats and fruits are conspicuous in the

Erskine & Wall's grocery. have been used for decoration with good results, and the w ing is thoroughly in keeping holiday dress of the season, M. W. Waitt & Company ous quarters, handsomely and an artistically arranged struments of varied assortme of the windows appears in contains an ingenious outlay ments, while the other appear and is devoted to music of popular and classical descripti In the windows of the Hinto Company there is a showing of goods which naturally look the the evening. Small and larg statueties appear, each with electric light, surmounting in s making up a tempting line of s never fails to attract the ex

pedestrian. Fox's cutlery store presents a that is unexcelled in its kind in It is full of a class of stock th to possess an interest for the as well as for the purchaser. Among the furniture disp windows of J. Sehl have a ing atraction for the househol and roomy the window space the best advantage, and conta

cellent assortment of fancy disl ware, furniture, etc.
The windows of Bowes's drug conspicuous for the handso shown and the attractive way they are presented. One win hibits a splendid line of eber while the other is taken up private with perfumes of different kinds Geo. R. Jackson has a fine d gent's furnishings, consisting gloves, fancy neckwear, suspen flers, umbrellas, and in short . articles which the present gene the male persuasion is convince be dispensed with. His neighbor Baker, is showing an equally a assortment of shoes and slippers, brated Slater occupying a pos

prominence. The employees in the Victoria Stationery store have had the full the past few days, and after will enjoy a much-needed rest. tents of their windows have an unceasing stream of purcha have had a varied assortment their gifts from. This include goods, dressing cases, ladies' h dolls with genuine kid bodies, cards by the million, and some cent editions of good books of po

Another big establishment, on largest of its kind in the provi so many specialities that it is in to enumerate them. Messrs, T. ben & Co. have faithfully ender give an idea of the varied chara their tremendous stock by their display. But the task has prov possible of mention in this limite The Fit-Reform haven't a var at this time but at all season

An inviting assortment of ruled by an elegantly dressed doll,