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VICE IN NEW YORK.

Representatives of Fifty Women's Societies Protest-Gamb-

ling in High Life.

NEW YORK, March 17.—In response to a summons from a committee of over a hundred women representing some fifty societies, a mass meeting was held in Carnegie Hall today, Mrs. Charles M. Lowell presided and the speakers were Mrs. Isabella C. Davis, Mrs. Catt, Rev. R. H. Newton, J. S. Crosby and Jacob Rils. A set of resolutions was adopted which protests against the "Illegal licensing of vice by official blackmail; against the imposition of fines for the punishment of vicious conduct," and calling upon the authorities to suppress vice in the city for the sake of the young people who are growing up surrounded by it. The speeches were in accord with the resolutions.

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NEW YORK, March 17.—Justice Jerome, before whom the men arrested in gambling houses are taken when captured by agents of the committee of fifteen was busy for several hours today holding court for the purpose of disposing of the cases of men arrested after midnight last night in various raids. The justice neld court at three of the police stations during the day and committed for examination tomorrow morning in all 12 men accused of being interested in the running of gambling houses up town. The prisoners were held in bonds ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,500 each with the exception of one, Phillips, alias Col. Potter, whose bond was fixed at \$3,000.

Methods employed by Superintendent of elections McCullagh, who is managing the gambling raids for the committee of fifteen were brought to light in the case of Phillips, and it is said evidence is being gained by Mr. McCullagh in a similar manner against several elegantly furnished up-town gambling resorts which are said to be frequented by the wealthy class of citizens who indulge in the sport.

FORTY PIRATES LESS.

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TACOMA, Wn., March 18. — Mail oriental advices give details of a sharp fight last month between an Italian cruiser and a large junk loaded with forty pirates, which was caught over-hauling a small trading junk, a portion of whose crew and passengers had been killed and injured before the cruiser reached the Trent. The fight occurred on the coast of Tai Chou, near Che Kiang. The cruiser opened fire with machine guns as soon as she got within range of the pirate junk and bore down so swiftly that only eleven out of the forty were left alive when the cruiser towed the junk in port. The live pirates were delivered to the government for punishment. The governor of Ning Po gave the officers and crew of the cruiser a handsome present of cattle and fresh vegetables. Six of the pirates were executed the next day, and the others were to be beheaded later.

AUSTRIA'S PERIL.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The London correspondent of the Herald cables in an interview with a gentleman who knows very intimately the doings and sayings of the Austrian court. Said he: "After the death of the present emperor nothing could hold the Austrian empire together. The German provinces will, without any kind of doubt, insist, as they have already expressed their desire, on going over to Germany. The Czechs will be for independence, but under Russian protection the Hungarians will seek independence and ask for more sea coast in addition to the port of Flume. The Italian provinces will go over to Italian provinces will go over to Italian."

SHOT BY CHICKEN THIEF.

CHICAGO, March 18.—As a sequel to a chicken theft, Charles Hiley was shot and killed by Daniel Peters. Within ten minutes after the shooting a large crowd gathered at Peters' home and threatened to lynch him, but the arrival of the patrol wagon with policemen prevented any mob violence. The cause of the quarrel was the theft of fifteen chickens from Kiley's hen roost. Four of the massing hens, it is said, were found in Peters' chicken coop. Riley started out to get a warrant for Peters' arrest, when he met Peters near the latter's house, and accused him of stealing the chickens. Witnesses say Peters drely his revolver and fired four shots at Riley, all taking effect.

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BALLINGTON BOOTH TALKS.

CHICAGO, March 18.—Ballington Booth, head of the volunteers of America, is at the Great Northern hotel with Mrs. Booth, the two having just completed a tour-of about \$,000 miles through the west. They will leave for the east today. Commander Booth spoke with enthusiasm of the work of the volunteers, saying:—"Druing the last mine months there have been 4,125 converts, from 35 to 45 per cent. of whom have become members of evangelical churches." General Booth said the army raised \$80,000 in the year and now is reaching 17,000 convicts in prison work.

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CONSTANTINOPLE, March 18.—At the first day of the trial of the mineteen Bulgarians accused of belonging to the revolutionary committee at Sofia and of fomenting disorder in Salonica, Monastir and Kassovo, recently begun at Salonica, a sensation was occasioned by a declaration by two of the accused that the confessions previously made by them were extorted by the use of the bastinado and by other ill treatment to which they were subjected while in prison. They now deny the charges brought against them.

NEWS FROM DENMARK.

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COPENHAGEN, March 18.—Dowager Empress Marie, of Russia, will arrive here tomorrow and will remain intil after the celebration of the 83rd anniversary of the birth of her father, King Christian IX. The King and the Queen of England were expected to be present at the celebration, but have postponed their vist until later in the year. King Christian will go to Wiesbaden in April. Queen Wilhemnia, of the Netherlands and her consort are expected here shortly.

Although the tax reform bill which occasioned such political bitterness as almost to wreck the ministry, has been referred to a conference committee of the rigsdag, it is not likely the measure will reach a final vote at the present session. The cabinet has abandoned the idea of dissolution, as the term of the rigsdag expires early in April and new elections will be held for the Folkething or lower house. These will be fought on the tax reform bill. Both parties are strong and both are making strong efforts to secure the agrarian vote.

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BERLIN, March 18.—Parliamentary BERLIN, March 18.—Parliamentary circles relate that General Von Werder, who was recently sent on a special mission to St. Petersburg, this time met with a cool reception at the Russian capital, and that the private mission with which Emperor William entrusted him and which was intended to explain many misunderstandings which have arisen lately, practically failed. It is understood that Count Lamsdorff, Russian minister of foreign affairs, also keenly questioned General Von. Werder regarding the German agitation in favor of the annexation of Austria's German-speaking provinces.

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THE COURTS

Before Judge Tuck this morning evidence in the case of Jack v. Bonnett was taken and a vedict was given the plaintiff or \$35.50, with leave for the defendant to move for a non-suit. C. J. Coster for plaintiff; W. B. Wallace for defendant.

In the probate court today letters of administration in the estate is to the late Archibald McLean were granted to his sister, Isabella. The estate is valued at \$1,020. John Willet, proctor. The last will and testament of the late J. C. Rodgers was admitted to probate and letters testamentary were granted to D. Lynch. The estate is valued at \$3,250 personal. Of this \$1,000 goes to his sister, Mrs. Roderick McDonald, \$50 to his wife, and the residue to his sister, Bridget Rodgers. F. J. Sweeny, proctor.

Letters of administration were granted in the estate of the late Robert McHarg to Eliza McHarg. The estate is valued at \$1,000 personal. J. A. Belyea, proctor.

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A petition to sell the real estate of the late Thos. Lack and a citation was granted, returnable April 22nd.

In the estate of the late J. Holohan, letters of administration were granted his sister, B. Driscoll. The estate consists of \$820 personal. S. A. Skinner, proctor.

RICTON.

Interesting Budget of News From The Capital.

FREDERICTON, March 18.—The Y. M. C. A. of the University of New

SOLDIERS' PENSIONS

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

What the Correspondent of the London Times Has to Say.

LONDON, March 18.—Dr. Morrison, wiring to the Times from Pekin, says:

"Russia, by her refusal to support the powers in their demands for the punishment of guilty officials, has finally thrown off the mask." A plea for leniency is hardly serious coming from a power whose troops last summer were guilty of reprisals upon the Chinese scarcely less ferocious than the acts of the Boxers themselves.

"Russia's action is only explicable as the fulfilment of a private compact with Li Hung Chang to throw the concert overboard in return for concessions securing her separate interests."

Dr. Morrison proceeds to protest energetically against any further sacrifices of their interests on the part of the powers to secure an outward union of action. He thinks that even France can hardly follow her ally in this instance.

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Commenting upon the Manchurian convention as giving Russia a privileged position at Kashgar and Yarkand, he says:

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"Russian railway enterprise in China
means military occupation, and Russia, once installed in Chinese Turkestan, will turn the whole position which
Great Britain has tolled to render impregnable on the northwest frontier
of India."

In the course of a later telegram, Dr.
Morrison says:

"Chinese officials say they have been
informed from St. Petersburg that
Russia abandons her claims to exclusive rights in Mongolia and Turkestan
and consents to modify the stringency
of her control of the civil administration of Manchuria, agreeing that the
convention shall be published as soon
as it is signed in St. Petersburg, a
fortnight hence.

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from Shanghai announces the sailing today of United States Minister Con-ger. The condition of Li Hung Chang ger. The cond has improved.

TO THE KING.

LONDON, March 18 .- United States Ambassador Choate and the other am-bassadors and ministers to Great Bri-tain presented their credentials to King Edward at Mariborough house at noon today.

LONDON, March 16.-Each n of the diplomatic corps arrived in a royal carriage drown by two horses and were attended by three royal serand were attended by three royal servants attired in long scarlet cloaks.

All the diplomats wore levee dress with orders and decorations, with the exception of course of Ambassador Cheeta with a work and a confidence of the course of the c Choate, who were ordinary evening dress. The foreign secretary, Lord Lansdowne, introduced the visitors to the king, who was attired in a field marshal's uniform.

BRIEFS BY WIRE.

LONDON, March 18.-The Vienna Neue Frei Presse reports a serious ris-ing in Teheran, Persia, because cer-tain reforms are being attempted by-he Shah. e Shah. LONDON, March 18.—It is reported hat the Germans, like the British, ave decided to abandon the use of

SIGNAPORE, March 18.—The French troopship Vinh-Long is ashore near the entrance to this port. She is not believed to be in a dangerous position.

HOMES FOR WORKING MEN.

LONDON, March 18.—George Cad-bury, the Chocolate manufacturer, has presented to the city of Birmingham an estate of 416 acres, valued at £180,-000 upon which to bulld houses for the working classes.

SOUTH AFRICA.

PRETORIA, March 18.—The prospects of peace are considered still hopeful. The Boer losses last month were 160 killed, 400 wounded, and 1,000 captured and surrendered. Owing to the heavy rains General French's transport difficulties are still numerous.

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, March 18.—Moderate southwest, fair and mid. Tuesday, insettled winds, becoming northerly and weather cooler.

NOT EASY TO LIVE WITH TOLSTOI. Countees Tolstol, although she is not in complete sympathy with her husband's ideas on social and political life, is by no means like the ordinary Russian woman of fashion. It is largely due to her tact and humor that she has been able to avoid a breach with her husband, who, like most prophets and reformable to the state of the

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S SELF-CONTROL.

Queen Alexandra's capacity for self-control was shown when she was taking one of her incognition excursions about Commission. A nobleman saw her entering a "probleman saw her entering a "probleman saw she was doing so a stout man and say the self-commission of the self-commi

The Telegraph intimates that because fifteen hundred Chinamen have arrived in New York the "price of hand-organs will go up." Mr. Blalr's organ may be expected to ask for a larger subsidy.

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RESULT OF STEEL TRUST.

SHEFFIELD, England, March 12.-At the annual meeting of William Jes-sop & Sons today it was announced that the directors are about to estab-lish works for certain branches of their business in the United States, where the whole of the crucible steelmakers had combined, compelling the British firm to take this step.

A GIANT LINER.

The White Star line has just placed The White Star line has just placed an order for the construction of a trans-Atlantic liner to be three thousand tons larger than the Oceanic, at present the greatest ship affoat. This order has been placed with a Belfast shipbuilding company, and the announcement is of the greatest importance to shipping interests. The new liner, in addition to exceeding the Oceanic by three thousand tons, will also have seven feet more beam, although it is not likely that she will be any longer.