

KING REVIEWS WORLD EVENTS

PROROGATION OF BRITISH PARLIAMENT

Deep Regret at Conspiracy of Evil Disposed Persons in India.

London, Dec. 21.—King Edward put an end to the present session of the British parliament to-day. Only a small muster of members was present to attend the brief prorogation ceremonies. The King's speech made special reference to the recent visit of the American battleship fleet to Australian waters, which His Majesty said "Evoked warm feelings of cordiality in my dominions, in that quarter of the globe, and was a source of gratification to myself and my government."

TEJA SINGH WILL GO TO LONDON

Hindu Leaders Hope to Lay Hindu Grievances before King Edward.

(Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Dec. 21.—T. C. Crawford, capitalist of Pasadena, Cal., is here on his way to London. He is here on his way to London. He is here on his way to London.

WIRELESS ON LOCOMOTIVES.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 21.—Southern Pacific locomotives are to be equipped with wireless telegraph apparatus.

SAMOA MAY REVOLT AGAINST GERMAN RULE

Natives Preparing to Hoist Independent Flag—Appeal to Britain.

LIBERALS NOMINATE C. H. BARKER IN NANAIMO

No Conservative Candidate in Field for Coming By-Election.

ASIANIC EXCLUSION IN CALIFORNIA

Doubt is Thrown on Official Figures of Secretary Straus.

A PSYCHIC CHALLENGE

CHEAPER LUMBER

FRISCO'S GRAFT CASE

BIG PAPER MILL FIRE

NO FEAR OF RISE IN TARIFF

LONDON ECONOMIST ON OUTLOOK IN CANADA

Says Reciprocity Agreement With United States is Most Important.

London, Dec. 21.—F. W. Hirst, editor of the Economist, who has just returned from Canada, on being interviewed said: "I gathered from members of the Canadian government that the pressure of protectionist interests during the elections was weaker, and that the revolt of the consumer was much stronger. Therefore there is not much fear of any rise in the tariff. On the contrary, if the reductions could be made with advantage or without any loss of revenue there probably would be a reduction. Lord Milner himself warned Canadians against becoming too free-traders and seemed to be quite alarmed at the prospects of the Canadian tariff being reduced. Personally I thought the motives underlying this observation more obvious than patriotic."

PROSECUTION SAID TO BE WEAK-KNEED

Important Evidence From a Member of Bayside Yacht Club.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 21.—The trial of Thornton J. Hains was resumed to-day and District Attorney Darrin continued the presentation of testimony that is designed to prove the author a principal with his brother, Captain Peter C. Hains, junior, in the killing of William E. Annis, the publisher. It is not unlikely that the week will be taken up in the presentation of the state's case.

EXCAVATING AN AMERICAN "POMPEII"

"Seat of Montezuma" Brought to Light in Arizona.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—An American "Pompeii" is gradually being brought to light, according to the annual report of Charles B. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institute. Under a special congressional appropriation the work of excavating a prehistoric buried city at Casa Grande, near Florence, Arizona, has been conducted by Dr. J. Walter Fewkes. Already a number of structures have been discovered, but the largest one excavated during the year was a building 200 feet long with eleven rooms, in the central room there is a seat called by the Pima Indians "The seat of Montezuma."

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MRS. WILLIAM E. ANNIS. A witness in the Hains' Murder Trial.

was in the stage going to the club when the Hains brothers drove by and it is said that when the brothers saw Mrs. Annis a remark of "We have got him now" was overheard by the wife of the publisher.

Tests with a revolver similar to the one with which Annis was killed showed that it can be discharged with extreme rapidity, or the shots can be fired singly. Major John Hains conducted the tests.

A sensation was caused in court to-day when it became known that District Attorney Darrin, engaged at the moment on his conduct in the case, is prepared to withdraw from the trial and tender his resignation last Saturday. He was dissuaded by his friends and his resignation was torn up.

Mr. Darrin said: "I wanted to withdraw summarily from the case because of the comments made by the court, press and public on the way I have handled this case, but I have been persuaded to continue the prosecution and not resign from office as I intended."

District Attorney Darrin has at this time no intention of calling Mrs. Claudia Hains, wife of Capt. Hains, as a witness for the prosecution. Mrs. Hains could not be located at her home in Winthrop, Mass., yesterday and there were reports that the wife of the army captain had left for this city in company with Lieut. Butler, of the district attorney's office. District Attorney Darrin said this morning: "Mrs. Claudia Hains will not be called as a witness for the prosecution. She has no knowledge of any material facts in the case and there never has been any intention of calling her. Mrs. Hains is at her father's home in Winthrop. I have had communications with her and I am sure of this."

Robert H. Roberts, a member of the Bayside Yacht Club, took the stand this morning. He said he went to the club with Mrs. Annis in the stage on the afternoon of the tragedy. Roberts said: "When Annis' boat was coming alongside the dock I heard a shot and Mrs. Annis screamed. Look out William!" (Continued on page 6.)

Balltown, N. Y., Dec. 21.—The mill of the Balltown Paper Company was destroyed on Saturday night, causing a loss of \$100,000. The mill was situated outside of the village, and there was no adequate means of fighting the fire.

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