

Breaking Up!

Tory-Liberal-Unionist Alliance
Going to Pieces.

British Conservative Members
Snub the Speaker.

French Evacuation of Tunis Must Pre-
cede English Evacuation of Egypt.

Death of the Liberal M. P. for
East Leeds.

Counterfeit Bank Bills Concealed in
Supposed Lead Pencils.

Serious Results of a Recent Engagement
in the Chitral Region.

A LORD IN LUCK.

LONDON, April 14.—The Dowager
Duchess of Marlborough will settle
\$300,000 a year upon Lord Wm. Beres-
ford, to whom she is engaged to be
married.

LORD ROSEBURY'S HEALTH.

LONDON, April 14.—Lord Rosebury
is still suffering from intermittent at-
tacks of insomnia, and his physicians
still continue to urge him to go abroad
for his health.

ITALY AND ABYSSINIA.

ROME, April 14.—The inhabitants of
the Tigre region of Abyssinia are pray-
ing to Italy for protection, and the Gov-
ernment has ordered Gen. Baratieri to
maintain his occupation of that coun-
try.

MRS. MAYBRICK'S CASE.

LONDON, April 14.—A committee of
ladies, headed by the Marchioness of
Queensberry, have been formed with the
object of reviving the agitation look-
ing to the release of Mrs. Maybrick
from prison.

HOSTAGES RETURNED.

CALCUTTA, April 14.—Umra Khan
has sent Lieut. Edwards to the British
camp at Lado. Lieut. Fowler is ex-
pected to arrive there soon. Both offi-
cers have been held as hostages by the
native leader.

CANADIAN HORSES IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, April 14.—On Thursday last
sixteen horses shipped at New York by
Mr. J. A. Walker, of Ontario, sold at
prices which ranged from \$120 to \$200.
Three other consignments are already
booked for shipment.

DEATH OF A LIBERAL M. P.

LONDON, April 14.—The death is an-
nounced of Lawrence Gange, member
of Parliament for the east division of
Leeds. Mr. Gange died at sea while
returning from New Zealand. In politi-
cs he was a Liberal and home ruler.

THE ARMENIAN MATTER.

LONDON, April 14.—The Armenian
committee have imported the refugees
from the alleged massacres in Armenia,
and the works were received by Mr.
Gladstone today. The Globe's corre-
spondent in Constantinople reasserts
that most of the stories have been in-
vented, and are part of the propaganda
of an organized campaign against the
Porte.

A CURIOUS CASE.

BERLIN, April 14.—A curious case
of the punishment of a deserter from
the army has attracted a great deal of
attention. A trooper belonging to the
Fourth Regiment of Uhlans deserted
during the siege of Paris, and fled to
China, where he served with the Chi-
nese army for fourteen years. He later
returned to Germany, and acted as
overseer in a manufactory, was discov-
ered and arrested, and by court-
martial and sentenced to five years'
imprisonment in a fortress.

THE QUEEN'S MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, April 14.—Queen Victoria
will arrive in Darmstadt on April 21.
The gathering at the Hessian court
will include Emperor William, the Em-
press Frederick, the Duke and Duchess
of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, the Prince and
Princess of Saxe-Altenburg, the Prince
and Princess of Leiningen, the Prince
and Princess of Prussia, the Prince
and Princess of Hohenzollern-
Langenburg. The Queen wishes her
visit in Darmstadt to be as quiet as
possible. There will be only one state
reception and one court concert while
she is there.

THE NEW SPEAKER SNUBBED.

LONDON, April 14.—The Tories make
no secret of their annoyance at the de-
feat of their candidate for the Speaker-
ship. They ostentatiously refrained
from shaking hands with him as the
Liberal did as they passed out of the
House after the election, as the younger
men among them are already concert-
ing means to embarrass Mr. Gully in
the arduous work which lies before
him, so that when he comes before the
House for re-election next year or ear-
lier he shall not have a strikingly suc-
cessful administrative record to plead
in his favor.

CRIME IN LONDON.

LONDON, April 14.—The Oscar Wilde
case has led to the arrest of two men
who were implicated in the Cleveland
street scandal. In the rooms of one
of them, J. C. Goodchild, the police
found a diary recording the foulest acts,
but nothing was discovered relating
to Wilde. The revelations, however,
show that the ramifications of a pecu-
liar type of vice are almost past be-
lief. It has transpired that Wilde's
friend (Taylor) is the son of a London
merchant. He inherited a sum of \$17-
600 a year ago, but dissipated his for-
tune in profligacy.

A CLEVER TRICK.

LONDON, April 14.—For some time
the Russian Government has been try-
ing to trace the origin of the counter-
feit notes which have been freely cir-
culated in St. Petersburg and elsewhere.
The authorities felt certain that they
were engraved abroad, and a sharp look-
out was kept on the custom houses for
a long time without result. Finally a
large consignment of pencils was sent
through the custom house. On the Ger-
man frontier they were inspected and

passed in the regular way. An official
happened to drop one of these pencils.
This was afterwards picked up by an-
other employee. On the next day the
finder undertook to sharpen it, when he
discovered that it had no lead, but that
bank note had been carefully rolled and
inserted where the lead should be. The
pencil had been dispatched from Eng-
land.

SUDDEN FLIGHT OF A NOBLE
LORD.

LONDON, April 14.—As a sequel to
the Oscar Wilde exposure inquiry is
now especially directed toward a promi-
nent member of the House of Lords
who has left the country for his coun-
try's good, and who, even if he escapes
the fate now hanging over Wilde, will
never again enter the society of which
ten days ago he was a leading member.
Wilde's guilt seems so overwhelmingly
established that his doom is regarded as
sealed, and everybody regrets that it is
necessary to bring him yet again to
the attention of the House of Lords, and
consigning him to oblivion deeper than
the grave. His case is so hopeless that
some of the more charitable of those
formerly his friends are showing little
pity for the miserable creature—pity
based solely on the assumption that his
responsibility is somewhat lessened by
mental disease.

THE STORY DISCREDITED.

LONDON, April 14.—The rumor that
Sir Roderick Cameron's daughter was
robbed at the Victoria station on Thurs-
day evening of a tin case containing
\$10,000 worth of securities and valuable
jewelry is regarded with skepticism at
Scotland Yard. No such case has been
reported to Scotland Yard detectives.
If there was any robbery at all, the
sum was so small that the matter was
left to the local police. The story was
that when she arrived on the station
on her way to Paris Miss Cameron
placed the box at her feet, and that she
immediately afterwards someone tapped
her on the shoulder. She turned round,
and a man who had touched her apolo-
gized for so doing, and when she looked
for the box it was gone.

COMING ELECTIONS.

Mr. Frederic Harold cables from
London to the New York Times: Al-
though the Parliamentary reconven-
ing tends to April 22, sharp political
excitement will reign a little earlier over
two bye-elections in Oxford and Mid-
Norfolk, which are coming next week.
They are close seats in any case, but
the quarrel which is now fast becom-
ing bitter between the Tories and the Unionists
renders them peculiarly doubtful, and
no one dares to hazard a guess how
they will go. All sorts of rumors are
current when the House broke up on
Wednesday of an impending mutiny by
Mr. Joseph Chamberlain against Mr.
Balfour. It was evident that suspi-
cions that the mutiny entered largely
into the intrigues of the Speakership
canvass, and it made everybody so ner-
vous and excitable that the scene of
Mr. Gully's election came very near in-
volving personal collisions on the floor
of the House.

THE RADICALS RESTIVE.

LONDON, April 14.—The Radicals
have decided to support the motion of
Mr. Tomlinson Brunner, Liberal mem-
ber for the Northwick division of
Wiltshire, proposing to abolish the cus-
tom of summoning the House of Com-
mons to the House of Lords to hear
the royal assent to bills, the observance
of which is one of the few remaining
practices recalling the old-time subser-
vity of the House of Commons to the
Lords.

TIT FOR TAT.

LONDON, April 14.—The Speaker,
which is reputed to be an inspired Gov-
ernment organ, has added gravity to
the Franco-English situation by declar-
ing that the French evacuation of
Tunis must precede or accompany the
English evacuation of Egypt. During
the present negotiations between Eng-
land and France the question of Egypt
has not once arisen, except as associat-
ed with British claims in the Upper
Nile Valley. If the disputes shall be
finally referred to a European confer-
ence, they will include the Egyptian
question, and the obvious subject of
England is to include Tunis also.

HOT ENGAGEMENT AT CHITRAL.

CALCUTTA, April 14.—The following
news of the Chitral campaign was sent
from Sir Robert Lowe's headquarters
today: A corps of guides under Colonel
Baird was instructed yesterday to de-
stroy the villages in the hills from which
a persistent fire was dropping into the
camp. The guides advanced further
than Sir Robert had intended. They
discovered two large bodies of the
enemy approaching, and signalled to
that effect. Sir Robert signalled back
that the guides should retire at once.
This the guides did, delivering a steady
fire at the enemy. The natives were
held in check, and apparently suffered
heavy losses. Just as the movement of
the guide corps was completed Colonel
Baird fell mortally wounded. He died
a few minutes later. The British lost
seventeen privates wounded. The Brit-
ish had no idea that such a large force
of the enemy was in the immediate
neighborhood. Nevertheless, their loss
would not have been so heavy had the
commander's instructions been under-
stood and obeyed. Further fighting in
the near future was regarded as likely
when the last dispatches left camp.

JAPAN'S TERMS OF PEACE.

The New York World's London corre-
spondent says: Japan's terms of peace are
approved with practical unanimity so far by
the London newspapers. Both the Con-
servative and the Liberal organs express the
opinion that the conquerors are not asking
too much. It is even reported that the de-
mand for the cession of the Liaotung
(Shingking) Peninsula has evoked no vigor-
ous English protest anywhere. But the
tone of the Berlin official press indicates a
disposition on the part of the German Gov-
ernment to act with Russia in resisting this
demand. The point is made in Berlin and
in Vienna, too, and it is understood that
representations to such effect have been

made to the English Government that Japan
Roberts allowed to have a line of harbors
from Formosa to Port Arthur, unless the
other maritime powers get important con-
cessions for their navies in the East. It is
stated, apparently on good authority, in
Paris today, that the French Government
has given Russia perfect assurance of her
intention to support Russian resistance to
any cession of territory on the Chinese
mainland.

LONDON, April 14.—The Morning Post
has this dispatch from Shanghai: A private
telegram from Chinese officials in
Hiroshima reports that the terms of peace
were finally arranged by the negotiators in
Shimonoseki yesterday.

However, a Yokohama dispatch also in
the Post says that the army did not meet
yesterday but were expected to reach a
final decision today or tomorrow.

THE CHITRAL PROBLEM.

The New York Tribune's London
special says: Gen. Lowe's initial suc-
cess against the Chitral tribesmen
seems to have knocked all heart out of
his opponents. The machine and moun-
tain guns at Malakand Pass taught a
lesson, the force of which even young
bloods among the hills have been com-
pelled to acknowledge, and today we
hear of Umra Khan being virtually de-
serted, while the opposition to the
march of the British army seems melt-
ing away. Col. Kelly's brilliant feat
of crossing the Shaudar Pass has caused
a diversion and the release of Dr.
Roberts—the immediate object of the
campaign—appears within arm's length
of accomplishment, with the prospect
of little or perhaps no more fighting.
There now arises the question, What
shall be the frontier policy of the Indian
Government? Lord Roberts proposes
that Chitral and the country between
it and the rest of the empire be retained,
not only to control the exit by the
passes of the Hindoo-Koosh, but to
prevent the Pathan tribesmen from
joining Russia, should she ever descend
by the Chitral route. Mr. Nevill
Chamberlain, who, it is suspected, re-
jects the opinion of the Indian Gov-
ernment, deprecates that proposition.
He argues that such a policy would
mean the stirring up of the liveliest
home nest on the frontier, and the
financial strain upon India is enormous
already. Seventeen thousand men are
engaged in this campaign alone.

BREAKING UP.

Growing Rift in the Conservative-
Liberal-Unionist Alliance.

LONDON, April 14.—What the Spec-
tator calls the worst political omen of
the moment is the growing rift in the
Conservative-Liberal-Unionist alliance.
Under formal treaties between the lead-
ers of the Conservatives and Liberal-
Unionist parties, the former pledged them-
selves to the support of candidates of
the Unionists in all constituencies which
the latter held when they deserted Mr.
Gladstone on the Home Rule issue. At
each general election since that time
the influence of the Unionists has been
diminished, and the Liberal-Unionist
candidates elected latterly have owed their
successes to Conservative votes. The
repeated collisions which have taken
place in the settlement of the claims of
rival candidates at bye-elections have
at last convinced the Conservatives
that they themselves are losing strength
under the compact, and they would do
measurably better alone. The dis-
content with the alliance which has long
been prevalent among the Tory rank
and file was recently reflected by the
attack made upon Mr. Chamberlain by
the Standard and other Conservative
papers, and the breach is made more
noticeable by the response in Mr.
Chamberlain's Birmingham organ that
the alliance between the two anti-Home
Rule parties is for the moment main-
tained, but the Conservatives paid due
respect to the opinions of the Unionist
leaders. The strain was greatly in-
creased when Mr. Chamberlain and
other Liberal-Unionists were dissemi-
nated of the Welsh Church. The
Conservatives declare that the pact
ought to cover the whole Conservative
programme, and contend that if the
Unionists can support it in its en-
tirety they at least ought not to be op-
posed to the leading principles of the
Conservative party.

Conservative pressure has been brought
upon Lord Salisbury and Mr. Balfour
with a view of hastening a split be-
tween the Tories and Liberal-Unionists,
but it has had the effect to elicit a re-
tention of the alliance, and the Unionist
party is now endeavoring to make the
present time. However, it is a strong
belief in the inner circles of the
Conservative party that if the coming
general election yields a sharp enough
votes to disperse with the Tories,
the Tories will gladly seize the opportu-
nity to throw them overboard.

The Spectator makes the contention
that the alliance is still the keystone to
the situation, and expresses the opinion
that the success of the Unionist party
without it is impossible.
The New York Sun's London special
cable says: Indications multiply as to
the serious nature of the revolt of a large
section of the Tory party against Mr.
Joseph Chamberlain and the Liberal-
Unionist alliance. No chance is missed
by many of the younger Tories to en-
barrass and humiliate the Liberal-
Unionist leader. The bitter tone of Mr.
Balfour's speech on Wednesday and his
disavowal of responsibility for the in-
trigue which barred Mr. Courtney from
the Speakership are supposed to have
been wrung from him by the unbear-
able position in which he finds himself
between Mr. Chamberlain and the rank
and file of the Tory party. An angry
threat of the rupture of the alliance un-
less silent submission is made to Mr.
Chamberlain has been issued from Bir-
mingham. It is received without re-
spect or dismay in the Tory quarters.
The remarkable feature of the session
has been the strange series of incidents
concerning Mr. Chamberlain and his
power and the value of his alliance to
Tory party. It is curious how far the
coalition Government which we heard
so much of at the beginning of the ses-
sion has dropped into the background.
The Unionists still believe they will be
in a majority at a general election,
but among the Conservatives no talk is
heard nowadays of that Cabinet of
all the talents so freely talked about a
short time ago. One of the shrewdest
Conservatives in the House of Commons
expressed the conviction yesterday that
the Conservative rank and file would

not stand Chamberlain in the Cabinet
at all. They are willing to see the Duke
of Devonshire in some sinecure Cabinet
office, but no other Liberal-Unionist
would be tolerated.

EXCAVATIONS IN GREECE.

Many Specimens of Art Have Been
Uncovered.

ATHENS, April 14.—The excavations
of the American School of Archaeology
at Heracleon and Argos, directed by Prof.
Charles Wadstein, have been resumed
this spring, giving employment to 250
workmen. The work has been success-
ful. Besides the two temples and five
buildings previously discovered, a large
colonnade, 45 feet long and well preserv-
ed, has been found 25 feet below the
earth and to the south of the second
temple. The excavators have also
found parts of Metopes, two marble
heads of the best Greek period, 100 ob-
jects of bronze and gold, gems, vases
and terra cotta of the Homeric peri-
od, also numerous scarabs, several
mycenaean tombs and an argive inscrip-
tion in bronze, possibly of a religious
character. The excavations which are
now in their fourth season, will be com-
pleted this year. They rival the French
excavations at Delphi in magnitude and
importance, and the objects found re-
present all the periods of Greek life,
from the pre-historic to the Roman, and
give specimens of the sculpture and
architecture of the Periclean age. They
have already produced more material
for the history of the earliest Ceramic
art than was discovered in any previ-
ous excavations, including those of Dr.
Schliemann.

REDUCED TO ASHES.

A \$200,000 Provision Warehouse Burned
—Blaze in Woodstock.

HAVANA, April 14.—The large pro-
vision warehouse of Miret Bros. & Goni
at Matanzas was burned on Friday.
Loss, \$200,000.

WOODSTOCK, Ont., April 14.—A two-
story new brick house belonging to
Mrs. E. J. Rolston, a widow, No. 193
Dundas street west, was completely
destroyed with all the furniture this
morning. Mrs. Rolston left for Drumbo
last night.

IN LABOR'S FIELD.

Restoring Wages to Former Rates—
Eight-Hour Day Agitation.

FALL RIVER, Mass., April 14.—It
is generally conceded that an advance of
wages will be given in all the cotton
mills in the city, amounting to an in-
crease of about 12 per cent over the
present rates.

BERLIN, April 14.—A few work-
men's meetings will be held here on
May Day to denounce the Anti-Socialist
Bill, and in favor of the eight-hour
day. On May 5, however, the Socialists
will make strong demonstrations
throughout the empire.

FALL RIVER, Mass., April 14.—The
weavers in the Barnaby gingham mill
have notified the authorities that they
will not return on Monday morning
unless wages are advanced. The men
insist on a full restoration of the cut
down of last August.

RAPID RISE OF A RIVER.

Through Trains for Montreal and the
West Canceled.

CONCORD, N. H., April 14.—The
heavy rains last night and today caus-
ed the Merrimac River to overflow its
banks. The river has been rising at
the rate of eight inches per hour, and
as the rain continues at a late hour
tonight there is no prospect of the flood
subsiding. Through trains for Montreal
and the west were canceled in Boston
tonight on account of washouts and
high water. The trains to Boston and
New Hampshire Railroads.

MR. LAURIER'S HEALTH.

MONTREAL, April 14.—Mr. Laurier,
the Liberal leader, arrived here today.
He is much improved in health, and
will in a few days leave for Ottawa to
commence his Parliamentary duties.

THEY FEEL RELIEVED.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—The state-
ment that Nicaragua has made a satis-
factory reply to Great Britain's ultimatum,
is believed here to be correct. This
closes an episode that might have
resulted in numerous complications to
the United States.

CAUGHT IN THE CATTLE GUARD.

JACKSON, Mich., April 14.—Charles
Binning, aged 70, a wealthy Sandstone
farmer of English antecedents, was
killed at the Wildwood crossing on
Friday. Children say that the old man
saw the train approach and tried to
escape, but his foot caught in the
cattle guard.

THE CUBAN UPRISING.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 14.—A
special from Tampa, Fla., says news
from Cuba today is to the effect that
there is a big uprising in the Province
of Puerto Principe; that all laborers,
sugar field hands and sympathizers are
in arms, and that a battle is at hand
that will probably decide the fate of
Cuba. The uprising in Puerto Principe
is general and will seriously affect re-
sults. Maceo is on the island hasten-
ing to the front with 11,000 men.

LIGHTLY PUNISHED.

CLEVELAND, O., April 14.—Editor
Elish Robinson was fined thousands
of people throughout the country by
means of a publication called the
Ladies' Gem Monthly, a fake rebus
and bogus watch scheme, was yesterday
sentenced in the United States court to
three months' imprisonment and to pay
a fine of \$250. Robinson was arrested
here several months ago for violating
the postal laws. He jumped his bail
bond of \$1,000 and fled the country. Re-
cently he turned up in Chicago, when
he again commenced operating the same
kind of a swindle. He was arrested by
the United States authorities in Chi-
cago, and sent back to Cleveland for
trial.

Steamers Arrived.

April 13. At From
Noordland.....London.....New York
Paris.....Liverpool.....New York
Paris.....New York.....Southampton
La Bourgne.....Havre.....New York
April 14. From
La G. soigne.....New York.....Havre
Edam.....New York.....Amsterdam

KINGSMILL'S

Dundas and Carling Sts.

Easter Attractions!

NEWEST

CHEAPEST

BEST

QUALITY CONSIDERED.

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If the new Hat or Bonnet is not ordered yet, see what we can do for you. The millinery event of the season was the impression of styles you got here on our opening days, when you saw 107 of the most exclusive and original productions of the leading French Artists, and the impression you got of styles for spring and summer isn't to be compared by words. It'll influence you buying without a shadow of doubt. Those who want something exclusively their own will be pleased to know that we trim to order. Those who want a French Pattern Hat at less cost than the original can have it; our artists can copy everything, for they have the materials, at lower cost than the pattern. Come and see us.

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Valenciennes Guipure Soutache
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Chinas Taffetas Armures Crystals
Surahs Merveilleux Luxors Satins
Failles Duchesse Royales Pongees

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Largest Assortment, Perfect Service,
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Oilcloths, Blinds,
Linoleums, Blind Rollers,
Mattings, Blind Fringes,
Curtains, Curtain Poles,
Curtain Materials, Etc., Etc.,
Rugs.

Everything for House Furnishings is here. Our prices are convincing. For instance: A yard wide Hemp Carpet at 9c. A yard wide Extra Heavy Union Carpet at 25c. A good Tapestry Stair Carpet at 18c. A heavy China Matting, yard wide, at 12 1/2c. A heavy English Linoleum, not oilcloth, at 45c. A Blind complete, roller, pull and fasteners, for 40c. We import for the trade of Western Ontario, and do not propose carrying a stock of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS IN CARPETS ALONE to be approached in price by any petty dealers in this part of the Province. Our sales during last month are an evidence that our prices are unapproachable. All railroad charges prepaid on purchases out of town.