# THE SHIPPING COMBINE SCARE PASSING AWAY

The British Public in Suspense Regarding the Peace Negotiations.

### PREPARATIONS FOR THE CORONATION-

Public Interest in the Commons Debates Waning-Tobacco Smoke as a Disinfectant-The Glasgow Barmaid Must Go-Miscellaneous Gossip by Cable.

London, April 26 .- There is a sens- | march so fast. Queen Wilhelmina is ible decline in the hysterics over the holding her ground well against shipping trust. The saner view now prevails that Britannia will continue to rule the waves, even if the Ameri have the organizing power and masses denunciation of the trust tyranny, but when the purchasers are rich enough; There has been no official statement pretations of the activity of the John from Mr. Morgan, who enjoins silence W. Gates contingent. Coalers were upon every colleague connected with him in these colossal transactions; strong, especially Reading. Canadian Pacifics rose sharply in connection with the shipping combine. Silver is but there is now a general impression still nervous and unsettled on conthat the issue of £34,000,000 has been tinued Chinese sales, and it is the among the shipping officials here general opinion that a further under-written in America and here waiting for news of peace. for the shipping combination, and SUSPENSE IN PEACE NEGOTIA that it may be increased to £40,000,000 if the Cunard Line be drawn in, with several smaller lines, and that the the order of the day. Yet all we as a result of his discovery. arrangement resembles in a general know is that the Boer leaders have REAL CHANCERY BEATS DICKway that made by Mr. Morgan in ortganizing the U. S. Steel Corporation.
Even if the Cunard Company remains

Lords Kitchener and Milner, to conoutside, it is believed that there will sult with the commandoes. What the two German lines respecting rates. what terms, if any, they proposed, are A firm of wine merchants in Regent icanized only in the sense of being Absolute independence and uncondiorganized and pooled by capitalists tional surrender may be set aside, but an aristocratic customer in 1816, the of New York, Chicago and Philadel- there is a good deal of room for specthe United Kingdom are not display- The Government tell us that the ne- but little with time. Of course all ing hostility to the scheme, for the gotiations are not likely to be resum-men on the Clyde and Tyne are ed in less than three weeks. It is are long dead, but the firm is still counting upon the defeat of the Amer-ican shipping subsidy and the con-much fighting in the meantime, and struction of new ships for the trust the Boer chiefs must feel the terrible in British yards. Timorous leader responsibility of entering upon anwriters remind them, however, that other winter campaign. the rapacious Morgan may go from one thing to another and buy up all the British shipyards before anybody suspects the game. Wiser commentators assume that the effects of ruin- Abbey for the coronation to smoke will be erected. Piccadilly is to be ous competition may be counteracted during religious services fall in ocean freights will be checked held there every day for their bene- At the centre of each flower will be and dividends increased. The pessi- fit, as cabled last week, has created placed a small electric lamp. This mists among them go further and more disputation than one would pershake heads ominously over the ex- haps imagine. What is to be the out- out along Piccadilly, St. James street, traordinary expansion of American interests and organizing power, and wonder how much lower the gigantic operations in one industry after an- silly season has yet set in, but the other, largely on the strength of bor- papers are opening their columns to Houses of Parliament, which is lapse in American buoyancy and en-is no reason why smoking should not ergy ever comes, from sheer excess of be permitted in any church during overdoing, British heads will be wag- service, or that, at any rate, there ging, in oracular chorus, "I told you might be smoking services. Time was,

IN PARLIAMENT.

The steamship trust has been la godsend for the halfpenny journals during a stagnant week in foreign and domestic affairs. Public interest revival of the old-time corn duties attracts attention, although their abolition was forced on by the best organized agitation known in English history. An autumn session for passage of the Education Bill been accepted with bad grace by the Mr. pleasure-loving Tory squires. Morley's indignation over the Cartand father's manner and breaking away from the Unionists as an independent with a conscience have been the only episodes of a dull week.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS have seldom been quieter. The Rused in enforcing the conscription in Finland by drafts of Cossacks with

are thoroughly Germanized, and have little to show for the diluted Orange blood inherited by them. The alarmists naturally draw upon imagination in forecasting the absorption of Holland by Germany and the conversion of Java and other Dutch dependencies into German colonies. Events do not

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treacherous disease THE WEEK ON 'CHANGE. which active speculation would otherwise flourish. The market continues of surplus capital. There has been a to increase its indebtedness to the great deal of energy expended in the bank, and there is small prospect of speedy repayment. The bank is buying up whatever gold is available in the soberest writers for the press ad- the open market, and therefore in a mit that it is utterly impracticable to fairly strong position. Consols stand prevent the sale of shipping property up remarkably, but since numerous purchasers are borrowing money at 3 per cent. to carry their committo offer terms sufficiently attractive. ments, an unloading and a decline If the British shipping lines had may reasonably be expected. Home REVOLUTION IN AN EGGSHELL made a combination among them- rails principally are deriving benefit from the talk of peace, while the rumor connected with the shipping ular outcry against it. The time combine that Southampton would become the principal passenger terminal centre, the shares of the London New York has no terrors for the Brit & South-western went still further up. The shares of the Cunard Line beneworld over were dependent upon Brit- course of the week. The week in American securities was rather ex-citing, and there were various intercline is probable. Mines were dull,

arrangement with it as with terms, if any, were offered to them matters of rumor and conjecture only. The ship-building interests of ulation between those two extremes. The ways of chancery seem to change

> SMOKING IN THE ABBEY. come of it many people ask, while the Pall Mall, Duncannon street and the prim old lady holds up her hands in Strand to Temple Bar. The most horror. It cannot be said that the correspondents, who argue that there it is quoted, when smoking was fairly general in churches. Early in the seventeenth century smoking in churches did exist. For instance, the occasion of a visit of James I. to Cambridge in 1615, the Vice Chancel- at least 7,000 people present inside the lor, knowing the King's objection to Abbey. Quite two-thirds of them will "stinking weed," issued a regulation "that none do presume to take tobacco in St. Marie's Church or Trin-ity College hall during the abode of coronets will be present at the cere-His Majesty here upon payne of finall expellinge from the universitie." The eccentric Archbishop Blackburn, of Bacor York, in the eighteenth century, was wont to smoke during intervals of the service. Another well known instance quoted is that of Dr. Parr, of Hatton, who smoked before his sermon in church while the congregation was singing, for the Doctor remarked :- much annoyance among the "My people like long hymns, but P public, but the people who have enterprefer my long clay." Scott, who is considered historically correct in his novels, devotes consid- festivities another week, till after the ing in church in "The Heart of Mid- enormous expense." lothian."

TOBACCO SMOKE AS A DISIN, chartering vessels of all description, small-pox clings to London, notwithprofession that mild weather would see a marked decrease, has rebacco as a disinfectant. It has been noticeable all through this epidemic pace. before been the case, took to travelling in the smoking carriages in the suburban railways, not that the woany stronger, but because they had confidence in tobacco as a disinfect-ant, believing that they were less likely to contract the disease in the smokcarriages than in any others. This week I have noticed that certain newspapers have been opening their columns to correspondence from on disinfectants, and most of the space was certainly taken up with such letters as dealt with tobacco as a torn up. The private houses, restaumeans of preventing small-pox. It rants and public buildings are for great plague in London every child was ordered to take a pipe of tobacco smell of fresh paint, which is giving Harvard, South Chicago. to school, and that at intervals dur- London its new coat for the new reign. ing lessons, both master and children The newspapers. both here and in

maker from cholera or small-pox, or burn a little tobacco in their rooms Another correspon-BANISH THE MAID BEHIND THE

The fate of Glasgow's barmaids. siderable time, has been exciting alin the commercial capital of the north. ooks after licensing public houses and places of entertainment, it is ourse follow Glasgow's example. For, notwithstanding all efforts which have of the barmaid, she has got to go. whom held forth on the evils of the pected. barmaid's life, making the statement pleaded for an exception in the case having girls at the bars is almost universal, which drew from Baillie King the question: Do you know about the custom in America?" To about which plied: America," which caused loud laughter, but didn't help his case in any way; in fact, the appeal on behalf of the theatre was not granted, theatre bars being placed on the same footing with public house bars. The result is that the barmaid must disappear railway refreshment rooms.

into this country from the United States at this season of the year. Besides, England is now looking to Ausesting official experiments and tests with case eggs from New Zealand treated by the Ellis system were carried out at the offices of the agentgeneral for the colony in Victoria street. Eggs shipped among ordinary cargo, not in refrigerating rooms, proved to be fresh and good in taste and smell, although four months old. The Ellis system is not one of preserving in lime or of coating with preservatives, and, as Mr. Ellis has preserved eggs for twenty months, a revolution in the egg trade may possibly ensue

and Jarndyce is recalled by a case tors of the line, and 'added:-"If the street received a check for £95 (\$475)

ELABORATE DECORATIONS. The Westminster City Council has scheme of decoration is to be carried striking part of the decorations will be a royal triumphal arch opposite the represent the British Isles. It consist of a central arch and two side arches, constructed in the Gothic style. On top of the arches will figures of St. George, St. Andrew and St. Patrick. The entire route of the procession in the neighborhood Westminster Abbey will be lined on both sides with countless white standards upon tall masts. There will be mony, including the premier baronet of England, Sir Hickman Beckett

THE NAVAL REVIEW. The determination to hold the naval Sir Walter taining to do must also be considered. prolonged the erable space to a description of smok- naval review, would have entailed These are a very few of economy's sake these hard times, it many instances of smoking in church was not considered expedient to put in days gone by, but the matter off the review for a week. At Portsthe usual secrecy, but there is less hasn't as yet got so far as to provoke mouth a great number of American discretion than is ordinarily display- a question in the House of Commons. speculators have been going about which they intend hiring out for re-Talking about tobacco, the remark- it is considered next to impossible for persistency with which the any great number of people to get to the railway stations Friday night, let alone reach Portsmouth, for milsee the coronation illuminations, and those who have had experience of vived discussion of the virtues of to- shows like this know the streets will be impassable, except at a snail's that many more women than had ever up already by society people to leave London altogether for coronation week, as they don't intend to lose the naval review. Houses are letting fast men's taste for tobacco was growing and furious on the Isle of Wight, from the end of May, or about six weeks earlier than usual.

CORONATION PREPARATIONS scarcely a street through which the procession will pass but has been the most part practically owned by Curtis, Holland ,German, Spencer, Wil decorators, and are permeated by the lighted up. Another correspondent says that he has held positions in concerning the cost of seats to view perior; Nottingham, Senator, Duluth; various cigar and tobacco manufacture the coronation processions, and as to Oliver Mitchell, Milwaukee.

fories since 1844, and has never known what the hotels will charge visitors. of the death of a cigar or tobacco Speculators and those having seats to sell are giving the impression that even any other infectious disease. He there is a tremendous demand on the advises persons who don't smoke to part of rich Americans and other forevery morning before leaving home any price asked in order to see the business. Travelling in smoking show. Ridiculous statements as to carriages, he says, serves much the the price for which a certain window or seat in Piccadilly or elsewhere dent begs the Lancet to spare a mo- has been let, are being constantly pubment from its pursuit of microbes to lished. To get accurate information give some sort of authoritative deci- on these points a press representa-

tive made a careful canvass, inquiring at various points along the route. that seats in the best positions in Piccadilly and St. James street—the most sought after situations-could vesterday be had for from eight to twenty guineas, according to the row. most as much interest in London as This was for the first day's procession. For the second day, the prices asked were from three to seven guineas. The hotel question, however, is less choouraging for the intending visitor. The managers of the thought that London may, in due Savoy, Cecil, Carlton, Claridges and the Berksley all said yesterday that they did not have a single room vabeen made to get at the members cant for coronation week. Most of the of Glasgow's Licensing Court since hotels have let their rooms for a the decision regarding the abolition fortnight, and have charged about double the usual season rates. On The court was densely crowded. Many the other hand, the boarding houses ladies were present, a deputation of are not reaping the harvest they ex-To accommodate the 40,000 troops which will guard the route of that the average life of a respectable the procession and the visiting colon-The ial contingents, camps are already bemanager of the Empire Place Theatre ing prepared. Three thousand men will camp on the grounds of Lambeth of theatres, in which the custom of Palace, while Battersea Park, Kensington Gardens. Fulliam Palace Richmond Park and Alexandra Palace will all be transformed into tented counsel for the theatre re- pected by the Government and muni-"No, but I shouldn't like to cipal authorities. One of these is for take my lessons in civilization from the colonial visitors, and its 4,000 seats are proving quite inadequate to the number of applications. In Parliament Square the members of House of Commons and their friends will have a stand capable of accommodating 2,000 persons, while at the Admiralty, Horse Guards, War Office from Glasgow exceept in hotels and and National Gallery other large stands have been erected to provide for officialdom. Even the stock exchange will be utilized. Therein the The intelligence that the corner in Naval Brigade will sling their ham-

Port Arlington carried nearly 1,800 emigrants, mostly young persons of had already gone on board the

steamer. MORGAN IN PARIS. The rumors of the absorption of the Transatlantic Company by the dren for the struggle of life, seeing shipping combine have attracted much that 95 per kent. of them finish their attention in Paris. J. P. Morgan still in Paris, but refuses to see all He dined yesterday interviewers. evening with M. Lazare Weiller, the French economist. The Temps prints an interview with the secretary of the French line, in which he reiterates his denial that there had been a meeting Dickens' famous case of Jarndyce between Mr. Morgan and the direccombine is formed it will certainly terrible competition. The formation prising; but we shall not be the only ompany not to join in it. The Gernan lines may enter into an understanding with the combine, but will remain as free as ourselves. If the

## MARINE NEWS.

Movements of Lake Craft-Arrivals

raise them.

Detroit, April 26.-Up-Rhola Em-10.10; Glengarry, Minnedosa, 10.30; Lake Shore, 11.40; Curry, 11.50; Fay, Adriatic, 12, Frick, with Reis arrived disabled. Inter-Ocean. .12.10 a. m. 4.20: Lincoln (Canadian), 5.50; s.hoon 7.30; Ramapo, 8.20; Waldo, 8.30; Pioneer, Chattancoga, 11; Linh, 1.40 p. m. Sault Ste. Marie, April 26 .- Down-Maricopa, midnight; Sachem, Wadlace, Tashania, Berlin 4.20: J. B. Ketcham, 6: Caladonia, Polynesia, Jupiter, Kaliyuga; 6.40; Sacre Whitney 8.30; Shringley, Oliver, 10; Empire City, Maia, Foster, 11.20; Mataafa, Hasmyth, Cartagina, 1 p. m.; Oregon, Foster, Iron Chief, Hutchinson, Case, 4.40; Alberta

Mackinaw City, April 26.—Down-Alaska, 7.15 last night; steamer, 4.30; Egan, 4.40; Samoa, 5; Maytham, 9.15 Thompson, 12.20 (p. m.; Edwards, Golden Age, 12.30; Columbia, 3; Schisinger At anchor, America. Toledo, April 26.-Arrived-Victory kok, Port Huron; Houghton, Green

Badger, Blind River. South west gale; water down five feet. Erie, April /26.—Arrived—Kennebe Flagg. Cleared - Coal - Minnesota Portage, Light-Pope, Superior; City of Paris, Finn, Spaulding, Duluth. Oswego, April 26.-Cleared-Omaka Frankfort, April 26.—Arrived—Charlie Marshall, Alice Campbell

Marquette, April 26.-Arrived-Choc Manistee, April 26.-Arrived-Dewar Illinois, Helena, Taylor. Two Harbors, April 26.—Cleared—Al bright, 107, Lake Erie; Princeton, Lake

Michigan Green Bay, April 26.—Cleared—Bald win, Carpenter, Butman, Ogdensburg. Duluth-Superior, April 26.-Arrived-Sevona, Reynolds. Chickamauga, Pandora Mara, Mawa tam Mary, Elphicke Hanna, Merida, Major, Antrim, Northern Queen. De parted-Codorus, Buffalo, merchandise Sawyer, Marshall, Tilden, Lake Eric

Cleveland, April 26.-Arrived-Mills City Genoa. Cleared-Coal-Sagmaw Corry, Algoma Mills, N. Mills, Ander son, Portage. Light—Ionia, Duluth. Conneaut, April 26.—Arrived—Bell. Cleared-Light-Frank Peavey, Duluth Lorain, April 26.—Arrived—Living-tone Cleared—Coal—North Star,

April 26.-Arrived-Me Milwaukee. costa, C. A. Eddy, Neosha, Queen of the West, Moore. Cleared-Volunteer Ashland, Marquette, Duncan, Duluth, Vega, corn, Buffalo; Outhwaite, Escanaba; Olympia, Michipicoten. Escanaba, April 26.-Arrived-Pack

Buffalo, April 26.-Cleared-Coal-

## POLITICAL POIN. 3.

Some Straws Which Show the Way the Wind Blows.

Owen Sound:-"We never had stronger men in the field than we have o-day in Northern Ontario," remarked Mr. George M. Boyd, ex-M. P. P., who had just returned from the Soo.

Orangeville Sun:-There will be change in Peel. S. Charters, the Conservative nominee, will defeat John in the last two Legislatures. Belleville Intelligencer: - Some our Grit contemporaries are actually

prophesying that Ross will carry On-

tario. Have they forgotten how the province went in the last Dominion election? If so, they might do a little thinking. Whitney, Conservative leader in the Ontarto Parliament, will visit Sarnia on Mon ay. His partisans are making preparations for a big demonstracampaign is son in Ontario now and

W. J. Hanna is the Conservative can-

didate for member of Parliament for

Liberal candidate, F. F. Pardee. Orangeville Sun:-The Ontario elec tion campaign will be short, sharp and decisive. Conservatives all over and it really dooks now as if there will be a change of Government. The Tories are in excellent shape for the fray and a great many Liberals are

Brantford Courier:-There is an in reased probability of a third candipaign in South Brant. It is rumored that Ald. Ham will be offered the nomination and will accept, entering the fight as a representative of the abor party. The assertion is made that in the city there would be be-tween 600 and 700 favorable votes. Newmarket | Express-Herald:-Now is the time for the people to consider well the policy of the candidates in didate who will give away pulp wood to corporations or the one for it? The candidate who fought for

representative of the party who forced the Government to have our logs man ufactured. have passed through Limerick on their The candidate who vidted for a bonus way to Cork. Two special trains from of \$225,000 to the manufacturers of beet sugar, for the man who have gone further and have given both sexes. Other lots of 200 or more the farmer who raises th sugar beet 25c a ton for his products? The candidate who makes our public schools only stepping stones to the high school, or the candidate who would make our public schools fit our chileducation there?

## SYSTEMATIC THIEVES.

Methods by Which Over 100 Horses

Beston, April 26.—A confession by which the theft of more than 100 William Aylesbury, and James Gould ing, was arrested in Somerville According to Aylesbury the plan of the three men was to stea horse and carriage in the suburbs combine raises rates we shall also of Boston and drive to Providence other vehicle would be stolen driven to another point and sold. This would be repeated until New York was reached. Then the men would back, stealing in the same man ner. Fourteen rigs were stolen knom stands in front of Brooklyn City Hall, eleven in New York city and four it Newark, N. J. New London and New Haven are included in the list of cities where Aylesbury says thefts were

## THE COPPER COMBINE.

Properties in Montana Gobbled by the

ounced to-day that all of the Heinz copper properties in Montana have been taken over by the United Copper company, and that a syndicate, luding Hallgarden & Co., bankers, of this city, have taken the proposition The statement was made n hand. that provision has been made for a arger working capital, and that additional properties will be acquired. The capital stock consists of \$50,000, 000, \$5,000,000 of which is six per cent. preferred stock and the balance



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