France Decides to Blockade the Siamese Coast,

And Notifies the Powers of Her Intention,

A Council of British Ministers Called to Discuss the Situation.

Mr. Goschen Talks Two Hours Against Home Rule-Humerous Scenes in the Eouso of Lords—An Ocean Reacer Wreched on One Island.

Looking Ahead. Rome, July 24.—A committee has been formed to make preliminary arrangements for an international exhibition in Turin in

PARIS, July 24.—The Journal (official) announces that Aug. 20 is the date fixed for the slection of members of the Cham-ler of Deputies. The second ballots will be taken Sept. 3.

London Stock Market. London, July 24.—The stock market is dull and unsettled. This is partly due to the uncertainty regarding the outcome of the France-Siamese dispute. The failure was announced to-day of Sutton & Co.,

The Valetta Court Martial. VALETTA, Maita, July 24.—The court martial investigating the loss of the Victoria resumed its sittings to-day. A great toria resumed its sittings to-day. A great juantity of detail as to the closing of the bulkheads and hatches of the vessel was prought in evidence, indicating that in the great hate many doors were left wholly or partly unfastened, and therefore were pushed open by the force of the incoming water.

An Ocean Racer Wrecked.

LONDON, July 24.—The British ship Bowdon, Capt. Law, which sailed from San Francisco March 22, for Queenstown, San Francisco March 22, for Queenstown, was wrecked on April 27 on Ono Island, ene of the Friendly group. No lives were lost. The ship is a total loss. The Bowdon was one of the four vessels that started on March 22 to race from San Francisco to Queenstown. The race was wen by the British bark Pinmore, which arrived in Queenstown on Monday.

The Campania's Trial.

QUEENSTOWN, July 24. - The Cunard steamer Bothnia, from Boston, July 15, for Liverpool arrived at 7 o'clock this morning. She reports that at 7:30 o'clock Saturday evening she passed the Campania of the Canad line, which sailed hence for New York as 1:02 o'clock yesterday afternoon with the intention of attempting to break the westward transfallantic record. The Campania was then 140 miles west of Queenstown, having covered the distance in 6 hours and 28 minutes. It is predicted here that the Campania will take a big slice off the record.

Khong, and that was obtained by a surprise.

The complete failure of Governor-General de Lanssan's attempted land advance was the cause of the naval attack now made through Bangkok. I am informed that Hussia sounded Siam to ascertain if the distance in 6 hours and 28 minutes. It is predicted here that the Campania will take a big slice off the restriction of the results of the Malays for a Russian naval station. The naval authorities consider Salang of great strategical importance.

Still Stranger.

London, July 24. — The Marquis of Bute's election as lord rector of St. Andrew's University attracted attention Andrew's University attracted attention last winter, it will be remembered, because he was the first Catholic to be identified with that ancient seat of learning since the Scottish Reformation started there with a baptism of fire and blood, but it is still stranger now to find him transferring the Catholic college of Blairs from Aberdeenships to St Andrew's making it to all Catholic college of Blairs from Aberdeen-shire to St. Andrew's, making it to all intents and purposes one of the four ccl-leges grouped in the university. It speaks well either for modern Scotch liberality in theology, or for Scotch susceptibility to arguments which titled millionaires can

The Reports of Cholera in Naples.

LONDON, July 24 .- Information having reached this city of the reiterated reports published in the United States as to the provised in the United States as to the presence of choices in Naples, the Loudon agent of the United Press tried, by every means in his power, to ascertain the truth or falsity of the reports. Inquiries have been made in several directions, but nothing was elicited that would justify the United Press in asserting that choicer a had appeared in Naples. The American consult at Naples was onestinged by telegraph in at Naples was questioned by telegraph in regard to the matter to-day. He responded that he regretted that he was unable to

uraish the desired information.

An official announcement to the effect that health reports from all parts of Italy are eminently satisfactory was made to-day. The Home Rule Bill.

LONDON, July 24.—The House of Com-mons, sitting as a committee of the whole on the Home Rule Bill, discussed this evening Mr. Gladstone's new financial clause, which proposes that Ireland's con-tribution to the Imperial Exchequer shall be one-third of her total revenue for six

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Mr. Goschen, for nearty two hours,

Massiyed and criticised Mr. Gladstone's financial programme for Irelend. The suggestion of the present proposal that the burden of indirect taxation on Ireland ought to be reduced, he said, was ridiculous. He repudiated the charge that the last Salisbury Cabinet had given Ireland sops for conciliatory purposes, or that troops were kept in Ireland to oppress the people. They were retained on Irish soll simply because from a military point of view this disposition was convenient and view this disposition was convenient and

Shortly before midnight Chairman Mellor applied the closure to the debate, and the 226 to 191.

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nobody is master at Savernake, and the noble old place is lapsing into ruin.

On Wednesday Tokenhouse Yard will winness a unique sort of auction. There is to be sold to the highest bidder young 19-el's reversionary life estate and the interest in the property of his father, Sir Robert Peel, which yields an income of over \$100,000 a year, and in the old gentleman's life insurance, amounting, with quarantees and bonuses, to \$1,000,000. This would seem to indicate that, after all, there was no Laugtry codicil in Abingdon's will.

Hall Caine, who has taken up his resi.

will.

Hall Caine, who has taken up his residence in Greeba Castle, Isle of Man, is hard at work on a romance as full of Manx color as "The Deemster," and equely powerful. He is dallying in his leisure moments with the notion of running over to America to witness Willard's first production of his drama, "Mohanmed."

The Lords Growing Funny.

The Lords Growing Funny. London, July 24.—It is not often that London, July 24.—It is not often that the public is tempted to read what is said in the House of Lord, but Saturday the Dukes of Argyle and Devonshire arranged a diversion which irresistibly appealed to the general sense of humor. These two pattern reactionarles admire American institutions as a whole about as much as a cat does hot soit soap. But Argyle has hit on the fact that the Home Rule Bill contains no declaration about the sanctity of property, such as our constitution has, and he made this the text for a long and thoroughgoing eulogy on the statesmanship, prescience and broad wisdom of the American founders. Devonshire, following, disclosed an almost equal enthusiasm for transatlantic methods of government. But a callous representative of the Government politely pointed out that it would be time enough for the lords to discuss the Home Rule Bill when it reached them, and so the one-sided debate miserably collapsed. Radical papers gently guy their lordships' new-born zeal for democratic institutions, and point out with satisfaction that the progress of British reforms is never going to be embarrassed by any such hard and fast constitutional provision as that under which American trusts and land monopolies were fostered. the public is tempted to read what is said

Warlike Measures.

LONDON, July 24.—The Bangkok correspondent of the Times says: "On Saturday the French gunboats were fixing chain the French gunboats were fixing chain armor amidships. The Siamese vessels there are preparing for action. All have steam up. The French legation professes to believe that the gunboats cannot cross the bar until high tide on Wednesday, which would leave time to complete an amicable settlement. The territory Siam offers to sacrifice fully covers the extreme point of recently attempted French aggression. The cession in volume and the evacuation of the Siamese posts of Poowadone, Altopen and Sumpang. On the river itself Altopenand Sumpang. On the river itself the French have been unable, in four months, to place a single station, excepting Khong, and that was obtained by a sur-

strategical importance.
PARIS, July 24.—M. Develle, Minister of Foreign Affairs, had a long conference with Premier Duping, yesterday. Only at the last minute was it decided to impart to the last minute was it decided to impart to the press Siam's reply and the Government's decision. It is stated M. Develle has notified Admiral Humann to proceed at once to declare the blocade. The Soir says: "Siam concedes only the left bank of the conditions put by France. Her resistance is due obviously to English influence. Develle would do well to speak clearly and firmly to Lord Duferin."

Lord Dufferin."

London, July 24.—The Bangkok correspondent of the Daily Chronicle telegraphs:
The Siamese warships which anchored one mile from the French are crowded with men ready for action. Their intention is, in case the French commence hostilities, to

siding.
The French Government is making ar-

renew overment is maxing arrangements with another Government for the protection of French subjects in Siam during the absence from Bangkok of M. Pavic, one French Minister.

LONDON, July 24.—A dispatch from Paris to the Central News states that the

military point of convenient and Chairman Mellor debate, and the chiefed by a vote of convenient of the House of Commons to-day. The situation is regarded with apprehension

by all parties, and the latest news from Bangkok and Paris is read with as much Bangkok and Paris is read with as much anxiety as eagerness. On all sides regret is expressed that the British warships in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British warships in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British interests in Siamese waters were not reinforced a month ago, as the British warships in Siamese waters were not reinforced a siamese waters waters.

constante on Wednesday. He has re-quested the Government to have pilots to conduct the Lutin and Comeis down the river. French subjects in Eangkok will be placed under the protection of the Dutch consul.

PARIS, July 24.—The Liberte newspaper

PARIS, July 24.—The Liberte newspaper says that France will seize and hold Battambang and Angkor as guarantees that her demands will be satisfied.

The Temps says that the beginning of the blockade will be deferred until Thursday or Friday to enable France to take the steps prescribed by international law. Besides the blockade military operations will be opened shortly. Steps will be taken in Inde-China towards serious action immediately after the arrival of the battaion of the foreign legion. The second portion of the foreign legion. The second portion o this battalion sailed from Marseilles yester

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The Liberte says that the French gunboats will go down the river, shell and destroy the Paknam forts, and then return to their positions before Bangkok to bombard the palace. Some painful measure is necessary, adds this journal, for the preservation of France's prestige.

The Debats says that Siam as a rice-producing country probably does not greatly fear the blockade. As for the operations on land, the Debats thinks the Siamese will be provided surrepitiously by England with all the arms they need.

The majority of the Paris newspapers devote as much space to denunciations of England as to the matter at issue between France and Siam. England is reproached by them with supporting the Siamese in their opposition to France's just demands, and with planning to give the Siamese secret aid when hostilities begin. The extreme Conservative and Radical newspapers alone refrain from discussing the situation. A dispatch from Rome says that Italy has asked England to protect Italian subjects in Siams.

has asked England to protect has jects in Siam.

The Siamese Minister in this city has not yet received his passports from the French Government. Immediately after M. Pavic's departure from Bangkok he will go to Lisbon or Madrid, as he is accredited to Spain and Portugal as well as to France. The minister still hopes for a peaceful settlement of the trouble.

The Siamese secretary of legation said last evening that no further news had been received at the legation yesterday from Bangkok.

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LONDON, July 24. — The Times says reditorially: "England's main objection in this matter is making British and French possessions in Asia coterminous. If she so desired she might warn France of the dangers she is running by reminding her of the Torquin fiasco."

The Standard's leader on France and Siam says: "The terms that France is trying to impose on Siam would be undefendable in any court of international morality. It is the Earl of Rosebery's duty to tell France planly that she is pledged to respect the independence of this buffer state. We cannot remain inactive in the face of France's preparations for contrary action. In conclusion, the Standard says: "The cynical tone of the German press is a much safer guide for M. Develle than all the acclamations of the Paris cafes."

Paris cafes."
Berlin, July 24.—The Tageblatt says BERLIN, July 24.—The Tageblatt says that Germany would be pleased should France's overreaching spirit cause serious complications in Asia. Nor would the German Government be disturbed, adds the paper, if the present trouble resulted in scute rivalry in Eastern Asia between France and Great Britain.

A MURDEROUS MUTINY.

Achinese Kill the Captain and 22

Sallors on a Duten vessel.

London, July 24.—A dispatch from Singapore says on Thursday night a piratical outbreak occurred among the Achinese passengers on the Dutch steamer Paids Windows the Seat coart of Achinese passengers on the Dutch steamer Rejah Kongze, trading ou the east coast of Achee. The Achinese attacked the crew killing the English captain, mate and twenty of the Asiatic saliors and wounding fitteen others. They then quitted the steamer, taking some of the passengers as captives. The steamer with the wounded is now in Dutch hands.

She Had to Lie Down.

in case the French commence hostilities, to steam down and ram the French gunboats, attempt to board them in force and attack the crews with fixed bayonets. The German gunboat Wolf has arrived.

London, July 24.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Paris rays: "The tenor of the French ultimatum to Siam leaves no doubt as to France's intentions. She would much prefer not to receive money down from Siam. The alternative of becoming the tangatherer in the coveted districts of Angkor and Battam-Bang is far more to her taste."

PARIS, July 24.—Nozs.—The French Government has notified the powers of the intention of France to blockade the Menam River. It is stated that M. Pavie, the French Minister, has been to redered to leave Bangkok in 24 hours.

PARIS, July 24.—145 p.m.—The Government has notified the powers that it intended to establish a blockade of the Siamese coast, without prejudice to the object of securing to France the guarantees to which she is ontitled.

A council of Ministers will be held to morrow to decide what additional measures is all be taken to insure the obtaining of guarantees from Siam.

President Carnot is at Maly-le-Roi, and the Cabinet will go there for deliberation. The Ministers will meet at 9 o'clock to morrow morning, President Carnot presiding.

The French Government is making arrangements with another Government for the condition of the Irish revo

Sensational Nonsense.

New York, July 24.—The morning Advertiser prints what it claims is a copy of the confidential circular letter distributed by the leaders of the Irish revolutionary party in America, among its friends felicitating them upon the destruction of the British warship Victoria, claiming that the supposed accident was the result of a deep-laid plot on the part of the physical force party in Ireland, which contemplates the destruction, if possible, of the whole British navy and the infliction of dire injury on England in every quarter of the globe where her flag flies.

A Lachine Notary Drops Dead in His Boat—A Boy Drowned at Lakefield.

Mr. Justice Patterson, of the Supreme Court, is so ill at Ottawa that his life is despaired of.

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The Industrial Fair at Winnipeg was closed on Saturday. It is said to have been a great financial success. The Liberal Association of North Ren-frew has invited Hon. Wilfrid Laurier to address a meeting at Pembroke in Sep-tember.

Mrs. Crowther, of Norwood, and Mr. Sammel Minaker, of Rednerville, Ont., are twins, aged 83 years, and both are hale and

twins, aged 50 years, a C. P. R.
John Wilson, aged 65 years, a C. P. R.
section foreman, was found dead on Friday
night in an alley in Winnipeg. As a watch
and \$60 were missing from his pockets foul
play is suspected. Charles Cookwell, 15 years of age, was drowned in a mill pond at Brooklin, Ont., on Saturday.

A young son of John Northcot, aged 14 years, was drowned at Lakefield Monday afternoon.

Winnipeg voted down a bylaw to raise \$50,000 for schools and carried one to raise

\$50,000 for sensors and extremely \$75,000 for parks.

The Royal Prohibition Commission will resume its sitting in Ottawa this week. It will probably goto Toronto.

Mr. C. J. Whitney, of Detroit, is in Montreal negotiating for the purchase of the Academy of Music, which is offered for sale.

Edward Riopel, the Rochester street,

Edward Riopel, the Rochester street, Ottawa, mill hand, who was shot on Friday by Thomas O'Neil in a quarrel over a raffle, may have to have his leg amputated.

Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education for Ontario, was the guest of School Inspector Girardot at Sandwich on Sunday. He is on his way to Chicago, where he will deliver an address at the international meeting at the World's Fair.

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meeting at the World's Fair.

John Stewart, who died at Paisley on Saturday, was buried on Monday with imposing ceremony. Deceased was prominent lieutenant of William Lyon Mackenzie in the uprising of 1837, and was condemned to imprisonment for life for the part he took in the insurrection. The funeral was conducted by the Liberal Association.

This morning F. X. Q. Mayotte, of Lachine, with his three boys took their yacht down to be put away for the summer. When opposite Dawes Brewery Mr. Mayott said he had a pain across his heart, and fell over in his boat dead. He leaves a wife and five children. He was a prominent notary.

Sames Trouble.

They War France Not to Go Too Far France's Demands Termed.

Loznon, July 24.—The Globe says the flagsans from the dispersion of the state of of the s

Banks Continue to Close up on the Other Side-The United States Treas-usy Department Sees Brighter Pros-nects.

The Plainview (Neb.) State Bank was robbed Sunday night of \$3,000 in cash. In consequence the bank did not open its doors Monday.

The Louisville City National Bank

tution without even posting a notice. The deposits are said to aggregate between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

ANOTHER BLAZE

Startles Visitors at the Big Show in Chicago.

Fair Officials to Answer for Closing on Sunday.

World's Fair Grounds, Chicago, July 24.—At 1:30 o'clock this alternoon fire broke out in the transportation building at the fair. It was extinguished before much damage was done, but for a few minutes the crowds in the building were almost panic stricken. They made a great rush for the close of the cold storage worehouse fire. The rush of engines and patrol wagons and the clanging of their gongs greatly alarmed the people on the grounds.

During the fireworks on Saturday night a shell dropped in the manufactures building, setting fire to an awning. The blaze was extinguished without much trouble, but it is thought that this incident will put a stop to fireworks on the grounds. Marshal Murphy, Chief Allison and other officials have declared against allowing pyrotechnic displays within 1,000 feet of the shore.

Charles W. Clingman's Sunday opening injunction against the World's Fair will be revived to-morrow, when Attorney W. E. Mason will appear before Judge Stein and call the attention of the court to the fact that the restraining order was violated yesterday by the closing of the gates of the fair.

Notice will be served on the officials of the exposition, and an order will be demanded from the court commanding them

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IN LABOR'S FIELD.

Three Hundred C. P. R. Men at Montreal

Monteeal, July 24.—The Canadian Pacific Railway Company notified 300 of their employes to-day their services were no longer wanted. "Economy and retrenchment" is said to be the metive of this displicat. Na facil, was found at the control of the services were not the services when the services were found to be the metive of this displication. trencement is said was found to the men, dismissal. No fault was found to their part, and no dissatisfaction existed on their part. They were all given due notice of the com-

They were all given due notice of the company's intention.

New York, July 24.—General Master Workman T. V. Powderly has been sharply criticised by labor papers, which accuse him of saying that his order and other labor organizations were failures. One of the most bitter of the articles appears in a Cleveland labor paper, and Powderly replies to it in the piosent issue of the official journes of the order. He denies saying his order was a failure, but says of himself:

"Powderly admits he is a failure; he

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Powderly is going to resign as general master workmen when the general convention of the Knights is held in October. The order is in a bad way. It is believed T. B. McGuire will be Powderly's successor. PITTSBURG, Pa., July 24.—The rod, wire and nail mills of the Carnegie Steel Company at Falls, Pa., closed down unexpectedly to-day.

OMAHA, Neb., July 24.—One of the most regional sensations in national labor

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The Bank of New England at Manchester, N. H., formerly the Granic State Trust the best stored in the part of the week begins of wonderful cures. Why don't you'll read the mangificent steamer files and the mangificent steamer files will. Wednesday, July 26, good for two days.

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TERSELY TOLD.

The gold imports at New York Monday amounted to \$470,000.

amounted to \$470,000.

The condition of King Otto of Bavaria is daily becoming worse, and it is a general belief that his end is near.

Charles Ashun attempted to chastise one of George Virsine's children in Chicago Sunday night, and was shot dead by Virsine.

A large cat boat was capsized in Buzzards Bay off West Falmouth, Mass., on Sunday. There were several men and women on board, but nothing is known regarding their fate.

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Saturday's rain and wind storm in the vicinity of Rutland, Vt., was much worse than first reported. Acres on acres of corn and oats have been laid flat, while many gardens have been ruined. The loss will lokely reach \$100,000.

Gottfried Meat

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Gottfried Mass, the would-be robber who so brutally beat Mr. and Mrs. Kasebrick, perhaps fatally, during his search of their home at Hillsbore, Ill., for hidden money, was found dead Monday morning. He committed suicide by hanging himself in his cell in the jail with a towel.

BURNED OUT. PETROLEA, July 24 .- About 7:30 this

Petrolea, July 24.—About 7:30 this evening a building on the Wyoming road, occupied by Mr. Boyd, was burned. Some of the furniture was saved. Loss \$800, insured for \$200. The premises are owned by Constable Ferguson.

Parry Sound, Ont., July 24.—W. Beatty's sawmill was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The lumber docks, tramways and houses in connection were all saved. Loss about \$10,000; partly covered by insurance.

SARMA, July 24.—Sunday morning a frame barn adjoining the residence of Mrs. Fowler, Lochiel street, was completely wrecked by fire, apparently of incendiary origin. Insured in the Royal Insurance Company.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, July 24.—The Ohio Transfer and Storage Company's building was burned to-night. Loss \$300,000. Insured.



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