

## MINISTERS OUT AFTER REFORM

London Pastor Posts Photographs at Church Doors in Crusade Against Feathered Millinery.

London, April 4.—Women who persist in wearing aprons or feathers or the egret of the white heron, as it is best known, when attending services in Holy Trinity Church, Sloane street, must display an amount of courage and titling them to medals accordingly. For, with the object of convincing such visitors that they are abetting cruelty, thoughtless people, the pastor, the Rev. H. R. Gamble, has affixed a series of photographs from life at the church entrance, showing the pitiful history of the bird from which the feathers are taken.

The first picture of this series shows a photograph of the feathers as they are commonly seen on feminine head gear, bearing the caption "The White Badge of Cruelty." Other photographs show how the bird is shot by the hunter soon after its young are hatched and how the young birds die in starvation in their helplessness.

"I have reason to believe that the pictures have caused a decrease in the number of such feathers displayed on hats worn in this church," said Dr. Gamble, "and I think much good would be done if other churches would take up the protest against this cruelty practised at the dictates of fashion by displaying similar pictures in their corridors. One cannot expect, of course, women making a profession of piety already have bought, but it probably has had a deterring effect on those who are buying new hats. I fancy there usually is an outbreak of the feathered millinery about the time of the Ascot race meeting. So I usually make strong references to the subject about the third Sunday after Trinity."

A "Chanticleer" Ascot.

In the face of this novel crusade instigated by Dr. Gamble, a "Chanticleer" comes from the smart millinery shops that this year's Ascot meeting will be what is termed a "Chanticleer" Ascot.

The arguments addressed by some milliners to hesitant customers that the egrettes offered are "not real, that they are made of feathers," and that, "that manufactured," have been made a target by Professor Ray Lankester, director of the Natural History Museum at South Kensington.

"It is absolutely impossible," said he, "to make artificial feathers that will in any way resemble the genuine plumage. As every one never has been limited."

"Which proves," asserted another leader in the crusade, that it is the arguments that are manufactured in the case of customers who hesitate because of the very proposition of cruelty. "Waste product," plumes picked up in enormous quantities and in perfect condition on the walls of the "White House" and "White House" are the "heron farms of the ostrich type" are but dreams to a milliner's liking. It is not true that the birds "shed" their plumage. It is torn from them by the hunters who shoot them to satisfy the demands of fashion.

Left to Die.

In the case of the white heron, from whose crest is taken the valued ostrich or egret, it is necessary to shoot the birds in the brooding season for only then are the finest feathers developed. Thus the young are left to die. Should women persist in creating the demand for such a sacrifice of life? And if the practice is not stopped, a species of the world's most beautiful birds is being exterminated. I hope others will take up the crusade. Much of the trouble is due to woman's thoughtlessness."

More man, who had his patience tested by the diameter and attitude of feminine headgear is interested in Dame Fashion's dictates in the annual election of the town council for the town of Marysville was held to day and resulted as follows:

Ward 1—Harris 38, Pickard 36, Meritt 36.

Ward 2—Sloat 46, Pond 38, Walker 32.

Ward 3—Hazelwood 58, Gilbert 41, Pond 30.

Ward 4—Thomas Robinson, Duncan Robinson 80, Pugh 32.

Walker, defeated in Ward 2 and Pugh defeated in Ward 4 were members of last year's board.

The annual conversation at the University building this evening was attended by over three hundred persons and proved a most enjoyable function.

The guests were received by Mrs. C. C. Jones, Mrs. E. A. Stone, Mrs. D. A. Bailey. Dance was the principal amusement and was kept up until a late hour. Hanson's orchestra furnished the music. Refreshments were served in the library and under the direction of Prof. Washington.

The big jam of ice which formed yesterday at Sugar Island broke up this morning and the river is now open from Grand Falls to St. John. An enormous quantity of broken ice passed the city this afternoon extending from shore to shore. The river has risen over two feet since Saturday morning.

Peck-Caldor.

The marriage of Miss Isabella Elizabeth Anne Calder to George Leonard Peck, an employee of the Royal Hotel, took place at 8.30 last evening, at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. S. Welch, Gorman street. Rev. A. A. Graham performed the ceremony. The room was supported by Mr. George Smith and the bride by her sister Miss Elmer Calder. Mr. and Mrs. Peck will reside on Mecklenburg street.

To the Electors of the City of Saint John:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

You have elected me for a number of years a member of the Common Council, and during that time I have endeavored faithfully to fulfill the obligations imposed upon me. This year I will be a candidate for the office of

MAYOR

At the Civic Election to be held on Tuesday the 19th of April next, if it is your will and pleasure to elect me, I shall strive to carry out the duties of the office in the best interests of the whole community.

Yours faithfully,

JAMES H. FRINK.

## VAMPIRE ON TRIAL IN UNUSUAL MURDER CASE

Guarded by Carbineers and Firemen, Countess Accused of Killing Husband Goes To Trial.

Enmity of the Venetian Populace Entails Drastic Measures Upon Part of Police.

In beautiful sun-kissed Venice, the city of romance, the most sensational and picturesque murder trial of modern times is being held. In those silk-covered and plush-lined gondolas, gliding softly upon the bosom of the famous Venetian canals, drifting lazily beneath bridges, rich in stories of love and intrigue, there is only one topic of conversation, the beautiful Countess Tarnowski, and her career of scandal, intrigue and crime. She is on trial for the murder of her husband in August, 1907.

Each morning a closely sheltered gondola leaves Giudicea prison for the assize court. In it the countess is carried to her trial, carefully guarded by hundreds of carbineers, artillery, men, police and firemen. Guarded, not to prevent her escape, but to prevent the enraged women of Venice from tearing her to pieces. The picturesque carbineers, with their brilliant uniforms, long cloaks and cocked hats, who escort the prisoner everywhere, standing with guns ready to repel any attack, give the trial the appearance of a military court-martial instead of the sordid, scandalous murder case it is.

Crowds Line Route.

Crowds assemble in gondolas on the Grand Canal and wait for hours for a glimpse of this trial, clinging beauty, whom the late Caesar Lombroso, the great criminologist, declared to be the most remarkable criminal of modern times. When the police gondola appears, the crouching, frightened woman is greeted with hisses, cries of abuse, and is often pelted with refuse from the markets nearby. Women especially hurl execrations at the cowering creature. Their loathing for her many crimes leaves no room for anything like pity in their hearts.

Gondolas trying to get too near her are driven back by fire hoses, and the nozzles of the fire hoses even ready to send a deluge of water on the too venturesome.

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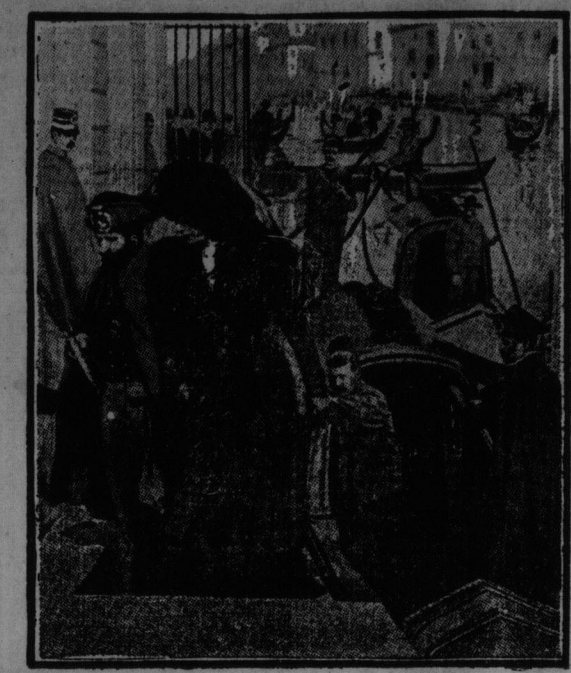
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COUNTRESS TARNOWSKI, LANDING FROM GONDOLA AT ASSIZE COURT VENICE.

the countess' husband, there is pity and appeals for mercy. Neither do Venetians blame the other lover, with whom she conspired. They believe that both were hypnotized by the "vampire" by her flashing green-black eyes.

Daughter of Count O'Rurik, descendant of an Irish family, the Countess Marie Nikolaevna Tarnowski was born in Kiev, Russia, in 1879. As a school-girl of 17 she eloped with the Count Tarnowski, and the first tragedy of her life occurred two years later, when to torture her husband, she killed her lover in his presence and before a company of guests. The count shot the youthful lover dead on the spot, and was later acquitted in the Russian courts. After this he divorced the countess, and it was during this divorce case that she entreated her attorney, Louis Priklorff, married wealthy and the father of a family of children.

Abandoned All.

For her sake she abandoned everything, family, friends and practice. Through Europe he followed the adventuress, throwing aside both wealth and honor. Other men were brought to her dainty feet by the spell of irresistible fascination.

One of these was the Count Kamarsky, who first was her lover and later,

as her husband, fairly worshipped her. That she might not want after his death he insured his life for \$100,000 in her favor. That insurance application was his death warrant. She conspired with her lovers to bring about his death.

She chose one lover, Dr. Naumoff, as the slayer, promising him all that a woman can give—herself as his reward. Another, the lawyer Priklorff, was set to catch the former in the very act of murder and this she fiendishly hoped that the men, who were sacrificing their very souls at her whim might kill each other in the presence of the body of the slain husband, for she reasoned that her infamy would never be betrayed were they all three dead.

In this her diabolical plan went astray, for Naumoff, after shooting five bullets into the body of his husband, escaped in a waiting gondola and fled from Venice, only to be arrested at Verona. The woman and the lawyer husband were also arrested and for two and one-half years the three have remained shut in the dismal cells of the Venetian prison.

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## ASSOUTH TO ROSS CRISIS

London Unbending Prepares for Brilliant Season—Unionists Angered By Gag Law in the Commons.

London, April 4.—While Parliament spends its days and nights discussing the reform or abolition of the House of Lords and skirmishing over the budget, the British public manifests no interest in politics. The people have made up their minds that a general election is coming some time soon whether next month or in midsummer interests them but little. They are tired of the turmoil and wrangling of politicians.

The only political development of the past week was the disclosure of the obvious intention of the Government to rush the crisis, cost what it may. This intention was disclosed in Premier Asquith's announcement that the Government was determined to pass the budget by the end of the month or perish in the attempt.

Mr. Asquith has given the House of Commons five parliamentary days in which to destroy the legislative power of the House of Lords and to reduce the life of Parliament from seven to five years. His resolutions exceed in importance and world importance more profound than any legislative proposals for the last two centuries. Despite their importance the Premier intends to permit only five days debate.

The Government's decision to "close" by compartments the debate upon the resolutions next week has aroused the indignation of the Unionists, who protest against his drastic measures stifling discussion, but a majority of the members of the House of Commons express relief that the end is finally in sight.

Deals With Irish Factions.

Despite the decision the idea prevails in the lobby of the House of Commons that the Government has made a deal with the Irish Nationalists. Whether it has or has not may be developed in the course of the speeches by Nationalist and O'Brienite leaders in Ireland during the next few days. If disclosures are not made in Ireland during the next few days, the Premier to confess for the most part to ask Mr. Asquith whether the Government has promised any concessions to the Nationalists on the land and spirit claims of the land, and if so, when will he take the House into its confidence.

It is also suspected that a deal has been made between the Labor party and the Nationalists. A Laborite reports that the negotiations between the Labor party and the Irish were based on the representation that continued Irish opposition to the budget might have the effect of alienating the sympathy of the Labor party. Mr. Redmond, it is said, regretted that neither he nor his party could see their way to modify their attitude, a decision which he stated in these words: "The government persists in its policy of attempting to pass the budget through all its stages in the House of Commons before the veto resolutions are finally disposed of by the peers there is no other course open to us but to vote against the budget, and that course we shall most certainly take."

Churchill's Enigma.

Politicians are asking what Mr. Churchill meant when he made his dramatic declaration on Thursday night that it had now become necessary for the crown and the House of Commons, acting together, to restore the balance of the constitution and restrict forever the veto power of the House of Lords. It is in no other words that he has tried to introduce the name of the sovereign in the direct, explicit manner in which Mr. Churchill did, but it is understood that he had the authority of the other members of the cabinet.

Politicians are wondering whether the government intends to go to the King and ask him to create whatever number of peers may be necessary to force the veto resolutions through the House of Lords. Whether the King, recognizing there is no other way to bring the crisis to an end, would agree to create a sufficient number of new peers to carry the veto resolutions, remains to be seen. Meanwhile the campaign between the "Unionists" and the Liberal parties, believing that a general election may be precipitated any day, are busy hustling for funds, buying up the members of the cabinet, and boarding through the country for another campaign of poster education.

Titusville Scene of Happy Event.

Mr. E. Kerr on Eve of Departure Presented With Token of Appreciation By His Friends.

Titusville, N. B., April 4.—On Wednesday evening last, Mr. E. Kerr, catechist who has been in charge of the Presbyterian church for the past two years, was very much surprised. He had been invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irvine Wilson to spend the evening before leaving for his new church at St. John, N. B., on the following day. On arriving there he found about forty of his friends gathered who gave him hearty greetings. During the evening there was a pause in the merriment and Mr. John Tays, elder of the church, entered the room bearing a very handsome student's lamp.

The presentation was made by Mr. A. E. Floyd, who said some very complimentary things about Mr. Kerr.

Mr. Kerr was completely surprised, but rising to the occasion he expressed deep gratitude for this and other acts of kindness he had received from the people and assured them that his whole term here and especially this evening would ever be fondly remembered by him.

After the speeches were ended the company joined hands and sang "Blessed Be The Tie That Binds." Music and games were engaged in until a late hour when the ladies served refreshments. Then after singing

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