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DREYFUS IS GUILTY.

So Says the French Court of Cassation at Rennes

"EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES" IS ADDED TO VERDICT.

And the Judges Unite In Recommending Mercy for the Prisoner.

Loud Protests Against the Verdict Heard in Various Lands—Threats to Boycott the Paris Fair—No Disturbances—Soldiers Found to Be Unnecessary.

Paris, Sept. 10.—The court martial at Rennes has been brought to a conclusion by a verdict of "Guilty" against the prisoner, Dreyfus, and he has been remanded back to jail to await the completion of his sentence. There was little or no disturbance at the announcement of the sensational verdict and the carefully posted military guards were unneeded to maintain order, though it is believed there would undoubtedly have been serious disturbance but for their presence. The verdict of guilty precedes a recommendation to mercy because of "extenuating circumstances" in the case.

Paris, Sept. 10.—France tonight is sleeping—or pretending to sleep—over a muttering volcano. The military party is jubilant over the verdict as a whole, though that portion intimating the evident guilt of others as well as Dreyfus is disconcerting. The Dreyfusards protest that the trial proves nothing and that it is not yet settled.

Paris, Sept. 11.—Except for slight street disturbances tonight Paris has remained unexpectedly quiet.

Public opinion is being sobered by reading the comments of the world at large and by the prospect, however remote, that the exposition will be boycotted, which would mean a loss of millions to the country.

At present both parties are taking breath, but the latent animosity is undiminished.

It is estimated that the last year's proceedings have cost the Dreyfus party at least 1,500,000 francs. They do not intend to let matters rest and rumors are revived of the impending arrest of Gen. Mercier. He declares that he does not care what happens, being quite satisfied that he has done his duty.

LOUBET IS CONCILIATORY.

It is understood also that President Loubet opposes such an extreme course as prosecuting Mercier or the other generals. He is rather inclined to a conciliatory policy, extending even to a pardon for Dreyfus.

M. Demange has been blamed for conceding so many points in his speech, but it appears that he did so in the hope of winning another waverer among the judges, who, however, finally joined the majority on condition that the verdict would be accompanied with the proviso as to extenuating circumstances.

DOSSIER GOES TO COURT OF REVISION.

The dossier of the Rennes court martial proceedings arrived here tonight for submission to the military court of revision, consisting of Gen. Marcillo, Col. Courbobosse, Lieut. Col. Lagrene, Maj. Copp and Alfred Allard.

It is said that Mathieu Dreyfus intends to supplicate Emperor William to order the publication of the documents enumerated in the bordereau.

JUDGES WANT NO DEGRADATION.

Rennes Sept. 11.—The Judges of the Dreyfus court martial today by mutual agreement expressed to the president of

the republic, through Gen. Lucas, the commander of the army corps at Rennes, their sincere desire that Dreyfus would not be submitted to a fresh degradation.

TROOPS ALL LEAVE.

A state of calm prevails. All the troops and gendarmes quartered in the town and its environs have left, and the journalists and others interested in the trial have departed since Sunday. The cafes which, for the last few weeks have been thronged with excited crowds, are deserted. This afternoon a solitary gendarme paced up and down before the military prison, and there was not a policeman or soldier near the Lycee, which last week resembled a barracks.

DREYFUS STILL CALM.

Mme. Dreyfus visited her husband in prison this afternoon, but not the slightest interest was shown in the meeting by the population. She found him as calm as yesterday. The prisoner smoked a pipe today for the first time in many days, which indicated he was in better spirits than could be expected.

CONDOLE WITH MME. DREYFUS.

Boston, Sept. 11.—Resolutions of condolence and sympathy with Mme. Dreyfus were passed today and cabled to her by the Evangelical Alliance. They were as follows:

"The Evangelical Alliance, of Boston, sharing in the indignation of the Christian world at the outrage perpetrated in the name of justice on your husband, begs leave to assure you of its sympathy, and of its prayers to the God of love and right for speedy vindication."

METHODISTS DENOUNCE VERDICT.

New York, Sept. 11.—At a meeting of the Methodist Preachers' Association, of New York, today, a resolution was unanimously passed deploring the "shameful miscarriage of justice in the recent condemnation of Capt. Dreyfus."

CHICAGO MASS MEETING.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—A monster mass meeting to protest against the sentencing of Captain Dreyfus in accordance with the decree of the court martial is being planned in Chicago.

LONDON PAPERS BITTER.

London, Sept. 11.—The afternoon newspapers of this city today are unanimous in their denunciation of the verdict in the court-martial of Capt. Dreyfus, and they teem with abuse of a system "producing such decisions."

ZOLA DENOUNCES VERDICT.

Paris, Sept. 11.—The *Aurore* publishes this morning a long letter from Emile Zola, the novelist, which is a pendant to his famous "J'accuse" letter in the early stages of the revision movement. It concludes as follows:

"The ministry which its agents have betrayed, the ministry which had the weakness to leave big children with muddled minds to play with matches and knives, the ministry which has forgotten that to govern is to foresee—has only to hasten to act if it does not wish to abandon to the good pleasure of Germany the fifth act of the drama, the denouement before which every Frenchman should tremble.

"It is for the government to play this fifth act as soon as possible, in order to prevent its coming to us from abroad.

The government can procure the documents. Diplomacy has settled greater difficulties than this. Whenever it ventures to ask for the documents enumerated in the bordereau, they will be given, and that will be the new fact which will necessitate a second revision before the court of cassation, which

would be this time, I hope, fully informed, and would quash the verdict sans renvoi in the plenitude of its sovereign majesty."

Berlin, Sept. 11.—The *Vossische Zeitung* says this evening that a number of the largest German firms have pledged themselves to withdraw from the exposition.

The *Berliner Tageblatt* says the Berlin council, at its next session, will consider a special motion to withdraw the Berlin municipal exhibit.

WILL NOT ATTEND.

Newcastle-on-Tyne, Sept. 11.—W. D. Stevens, a shipowner and royal commissioner to the Paris exposition, has declared that as a result of the Dreyfus verdict he will not put his foot on French soil. He adds that thousands of his countrymen will take the same attitude. Several important firms have already declined to exhibit at Paris.

MAY WITHDRAW APPROPRIATION.

San Francisco, Sept. 11.—A quiet movement is progressing among the Jewish element of this state looking to the legislature for the cancellation of an act passed at its last session appropriating \$13,000 for a California exhibit at the Paris exposition.

MINERAL EXHIBIT WITHDRAWN.

Denver, Sept. 11.—A special to the *News* from El Paso, Texas, says: "General Manager J. A. Eddy, of the El Paso & Northeastern railway of New Mexico, had agreed to furnish a splendid mineral exhibit of one of the richest mineral belts in the world for the Paris exposition. On account of the conviction of Dreyfus, he today wrote F. J. V. Skiff, of Chicago, who is collecting the mineral exhibits, declining—cancelling his agreement."

VIGOROUS PLEA FOR A BOYCOTT.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 11.—J. W. Longley, attorney general of Nova Scotia, will issue a letter tomorrow in which he vigorously denounces the second condemnation of Dreyfus and urges the nations of the world to join in a general boycott of the Paris exposition.

THUMB-TIPPED WITH A BULLET.

And the Lady Fails to Appear Again on Saturday Night.

Things went wrong on Saturday night at the Grand. In the first place, Charley Meadows took an involuntary bath in the tank used in the bridge scene. But that of itself merely served to add to the effect of the scene and make it even more startling than usual.

As usual, the house was crowded to witness the fancy shooting, etc., of the piece. In the bar scene, where Charley shoots a row of bottles from the shelves he found himself missing time and again in unusual fashion. An examination revealed the fact that the first bullet had stuck in the muzzle of the gun and each succeeding shot just jammed the barrel more full of lead, until it was as full as if poured in in a molten state.

Then Madam Meadows objected to going on in the act where glass balls are shot from between her fingers and from resting in her hair—and hereby hangs a tale. On Friday night, in this same act, the nery lady was observed to shake her hand after the glass ball had disappeared from between the fingers. Inquiry elicits the fact that she had lost the tip of the thumb and its soreness on Saturday night is probably what lessened her undoubted courage to the point of refusing to appear.

The wounding of the thumb is not proof of a misfire. It is believed that a divided bullet may have caused the injury.

Dawson's one brick block is making great strides towards completion, that it be not caught by the coming six-months' freeze-up. Brick layers are working as thickly as they can stand and work. It is to be regretted that frost cannot be delayed until all moisture should have evaporated from the walls.

CORNELIUS VANDERBILT DEAD

The Head of a Famous Family Dies Very Suddenly.

Started in Life at \$60 Per Month and Wound Up a Millionaire, by Inheritance—Sketch of His Life.

New York, Sept. 12.—Cornelius Vanderbilt, head of the Vanderbilt family, died at his residence in this city at 5:25 o'clock this morning, from a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Vanderbilt was in his fifty-sixth year. No physician was in attendance. The attack was very sudden and entirely unexpected.

Mr. Vanderbilt left Newport yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock, for the purpose of attending a meeting of the directors of the New York Central & Hudson River railroad, which was to be held today.

He was feeling as well as usual, and had no premonition of approaching death. He reached this city about 9 o'clock last night, was driven to his home immediately, and went to bed about 10 o'clock. He woke up in the morning about 5 o'clock and complained of feeling very ill. He called his wife, and she immediately sent for a physician. Mr. Vanderbilt died within a few minutes and before any physician arrived. Dr. DeLafield, who had been attending him, when he arrived pronounced the cause of death to be cerebral hemorrhage. Because death was so sudden, the coroner was notified, and there will be a formal inquest.

Cornelius Vanderbilt was born on Staten island, November 27, 1843. William H. Vanderbilt, his father, was at the time a farmer, and Cornelius at the age of 16 left school and secured a place as messenger in the Shoe and Leather bank. His grandfather, the commodore, learning of this, sent for him and asked why he had not applied to him for a place. "Because I did not want to ask you for anything," was the reply.

This pleased the commodore, and it is said that he made a codicil to his will a few days later, leaving \$1,000,000 to his grandson. Cornelius left the Shoe and Leather bank to go into the employ of Kissam Bos., bankers but later his grandfather asked him to enter the railroad service. The young man was making \$60 a month and declined to leave his place unless he got more money. He was given \$65 and accepted it. He was then about 21 years of age. The first place he was given was that of assistant treasurer of the New York & Harlem railroad. His rise was rapid, and he succeeded his father as head of the Vanderbilt system.

Mr. Vanderbilt's active career was practically closed when he suffered a paralytic stroke in July, 1896. Despite his enormous interests he found time to devote to church and Sunday school work, which he began early in life. He gave freely to the railroad branch of the Y. M. C. A. and to the work of St. Bartholomew's P. E. church in this city.

When Mr. Vanderbilt was 23 years of age he married Alice G. Wynne, the daughter of a Cincinnati lawyer. His first born son, William H., died in 1892, while he was a student in Yale university. Mr. Vanderbilt left five children—Cornelius, Gertrude, Alfred, Reginald and Gladys. Cornelius married a daughter of Mr. Wilson, the banker, about two years ago, and later Gertrude became the wife of Harry Payne Whitney, son of former Secretary of the Navy William H. Whitney.

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