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### It Would Save France.

nes Now Calm and Dead Against a Fresh Degradation of Drey

Paris, Sept. 12.—The Aurore publishe this morning a long letter from M.
Emile Zola, the novelist, which is a
pendant to his famous "J Acouse" letter
in the early stages of the revision movement. It concludes as follows:

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"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 pieasure of Germany the fifth act of the drama, the denouement before which every Frenchman should tremble. "It is for the Government before which every frenchman should tremble. But had a some should be a so

Nothing Will Be Lost.

Liondon, Sept. 19.—Major Esterhazy ommented yesterday on the verdict in the Dreyfus case. In The Evening News, saying Dreyfus was justly condemned, as the inevitable result of the evidence collected by General Meroter. This, according to Esterhazy, bore conviction to the minds of the judges, and, he added, the court-martial, following the previous finding, declared Dreyfus guilty, "and I am inno-ent." Continuing, Esterhazy said: "I believe the sentence was in accordance with an understanding with the Government. Dreyfus is in a position to claim a reduction of his sentence by one-half. The whole business was a farce, arranged in advance, and, doubtless, he will soon be liberated." The Trial Was a Farce.

Against a Fresh Degradation.

Rennes, Sept. 13.—The judges of the Dreyfus court-martial yesterday by mutual agreement expressed to the President of the Republic, through General Lucas, the commander of the army corps at Rennes, their sincere desire that Dreyfus would not be submitted to a fresh degra-

Paris, Sept. 12.—Commenting on the verdict in the Dreyfus case, The Temps yesterday says that "all good citzens who had divided on the Dreyfus affair agree in desiring that the judgment

agree in desiring that should reopen an era of peace and for France that is far from being provident utterances of ill-advised parti-sans of the revisionist campaign against the generals, are the cause of it. It is, however, possible that Dreyfus may not lose this benefit. It would be enough for the Chief of State to sign his pardon. This solution would bring about the pacification of which France is in need.

Loubet Opposed to It. Loubet Opposed to It.

Paris, Sept. 12.—It is estimated that
the last year's proceedings have cost the
Dreyfus party at least 100,000 frams.
They don't intend to let matters rest,
and rumors are revived of the impending
arrest of General Mercier. He declares
that he does not care what happens, being quite satisfied that he has done his
duty.

ng quite satismes.

It is understood also that President
Loubet opposes such an extreme course as
prosecuting Mercler or the other gener
prosecuting to a concilia

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 provision as to extenuating circumstances. Prepared for a Pardon.

Paris, Sept. 12.—The Journal des Debates says it hopes that after the Rennes verdict the sentiment of human-ity will find scope even in the most desperate of conflicts. Public opinion, it adds, is quite prepared for the eventual-ity of Dreyfus pardon.

Rennes. Sept. 12.—A state of calm prevails here. All tae troops and gendarmes quartered in the town and its environs have left, and most of the journalists and others interested in the trial have departed since Saturday. The cafes, which for the last few weeks have been thronged with excited crowds, were deserted this aftermoon. A solitary gendarme paced up and down before the Military Prison, and there was not a policeman or a solider near the Lyces, which last week resembled a barracks. Worknen were basy dismantling the court from. All Calm at Bennes.

court foom.

Madame Dreyfus visited her husband in the prison cell yesterday afternoon, but not the slightest interest was shown in their meeting by the population. She found him as calm as the day before. The prisoner smoked a pipe yesterday for the first time in many days, which in dicated that he was in better spirits than could be expected.

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Unanimous Denunciation.

London, Sept. 12s—The afternoon newspapers of this city yesterday were unanimous in their denunciation of the verdict in the court-martial of Captain Alfred Dreyfus, and they teem with abuse of the system "producing such a decision."

to find figoroils expressions. The Vossiche Zeitung says last evening that a
number of the largest German firms
have pledged themselves to withdraw.
The Berliner Tageblatt says the Berlin
Council at its next session will consider
a special motion to withdraw the Berlin
municipal exhibit. On the other hand,
the correspondent of the Associated Presslearns on the highest authority that the
German Government considers the Dreyfus case now, under all the conditions,
done with, and does not intend to reinquish official representation at the exposition. The officials responsible for this
assurance added that it should be borne
in mind that, despite the Dreyfus case,
the official relations between the two
Governments had steadily improved during recent years. Have Life-Kruger Warns the Burgh-

ing recent years.

Unele Sam on the Beycett.

Washington, D.C., Sept. 12.—It is believed that when Congress assembles there will be considerable agitation of a proposition for this Government to abandon its part in the Paris Exposition. It is known that expressions, hostile to the Exposition, quoted from Senator Stewart, are very widely sympathized in, and it is thought that if the conviction of Dreyfus is permitted to stand, there will be very little friendly feeling for France among members of either the House or Senate.

Transvasi Maligned and Deserted

Next come Joseph Chamberian's screams for the maintenance of suzerainty, and on top of that his quarrel with the Transvaal's franchise regulations. This reaches the ears of the whole world, and the Transvaal, deserted by all the

the Dreyfus case.

Will Boyect the French Fair.

Newcastle-on-Tyle, Sept. 12.—W. D.

Stevens, a ship-owner and royal commissioner to the Paris Exhibition, 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 do the same. Several important firms here have already declined to exhibit at Paris.

Meshedists Condemn 18. Independence at Whatever Cost.
Thus, unaided by any, the republic
must bow the knee to Chamberlain, must
soncede his demands and lose its independence, or else set all South Africa

New York, Sept. 12.—At the meetin yesterday of the Methodist Preacher Association of New York, resolution were unanimously passed deploring "the shameful miscarriage of justice in the recent condemnation of Captain Dreyfus."

Transvaal Leader, and the Government is sending a reply.

President Kruger has issued a notice, warning burghers who intend to go shooting beyond the River Limpopo, which forms for many miles the northwest and north limit of the Transvaal, that they will be severely punished unless they first obtain permission from the local authorities.

The tendion remains that conditions Paris, Sept. 12.—The dosser of the Rennes court-martial proceedings arrived here last night for submission to the military court of revision, consisting of General Marcillo, Colonel Courbebousse, Lieut-Col. Lagreene, Major Kopp and Major Allard.

Major Allard.

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

Rome, Sept. 13.—Colonel Panizzardi, referring yesterday to the verdict at Rennes, said: "I felt horror, but not surprise." Spontaneous demonstrations in favor of Dreyfus have occurred in many parts of Italy. In Florence a crowd shouting. "Down with the Jesuits!" threatened the French consulate. The police interfered and a fight ensued, in which manyapersons were hurt. Twenty arrests were made. THE SAULT BLOCKADE RAISED.

Lake Forts.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Sept. 18.—All precautions for avoiding accident to the delayed fleet, which is crowding through St. Mary's River, are being taken. Captain Davis of the revenue cutter Merrill has good control of the situation. Hay Lake, which is 14 miles long, was dotted yesterday with bunches of steamers and tows for nearly the entire length of its channel. The tows were getting under way at safe distance from each other, and the long procession is necessarily a slow one until deep water is reached. By last night nearly the entire fleet of 200 vessels was in the race for the lower lake ports, and evidences of the blockade have vanished.

nce of the New Bedford Schoon

New York, Sept. 12.—Congres Jefferson A. Levy announced yest that as soon as Congress meets he introduce resolutions in the House

Methodists Condemn It.

Montreal, Sept. 12.— The Furness Withey & Ce.'s steamship Enterprise, which arrived in port yesterday, had an extraordinary story to report. When about seven miles west of Belle Isle the Enterprise fell in with the schooner Era of New Bedford, Mass., which reported having been 27 months out from New Bedford, and having been shut up by the los in Hudson Bay for over two years. The captain was very ill, and the schooner, when sighted, was flying signals of distress. The chief mate put out in a boat, and requested nedical assistance. The captain of the Enterprise supplied medical stores, and the schooner supplied medical stores, and the sch proceeded to her destination.

Washington, Sept. 12.—The September report of the statistician of the Department of Agriculture shows the following averages of conditions on Sept. 1: Corn 35.2, wheat 70.9, oats 87.3, rye 82.0, buckwheat 75.2, potatoes 86.3. barley 68.7. There was a decline in the average condition of corn during August amounting to 4.7 points, but the condition on Sept. 1 was still 1.1 points higher than on Sept. 1, 1898. The condition of winter and spring wheat consolidated is 70.9, ras compared with 86.7 on Sept. 1, 1898.

Willie Houston Committed.
Chatham, Ont., Sept. 12,—P. M. Gośnell of Blenheim yesterday committed E. Willie Houston for trial on the charge of manslaughter. This 15-year-old lad fired four shots at Erie Beach, one of which struck Lyell Stephens, son of George Stephens, nardware merchant. The shooting occurred on Aug. 14 and two days afterwards young Stephens died. The boy with this swful charge over his head is the only son of Police Magistrate Houston. Willie Houston Committee

CRISIS IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

Sydney N.S.W., Sept. 12.—Rt. Hon. George Houston Reid, the Premier, Treasurer and Minister of Railways, and the other members of the Cabinet, resigned yesterday, in consequence of the action of the Assembly, which Sept. 7, by a vote of 75 to 41, passed a resolution declaring a lack of confidence in the Ministry. The resignation of the Ministers was accepted, and Mr. Lyne, the leader of the Opposition, was summoned to form a new Cabinet. The Derouledist Trial,

newspapers of this city yesterday were unanimous in their denunciation of the verdict in the court-martial of Captain Aifred Dreyfus, and they teem with abuse of the system "producing such a decision."

Berlin, Sept. 12.—The private agitation against the exposition is beginning for the Chamber of Deputies, will be signals for fresh troubles. At present both parties are taking breath, but the latent animosities are undiminished.

Vice-Pres. Joubert Says They Hope and Pray for Peace.

ers-Rand Men Will Be Protected

Chicago, Sept. 12.—The Record has a despatch from General Joubert of the Transvaal Republic, which says:
The swarm of capitalists and adventurers who have been attracted to the Transvaal by its gold are not content with trying by their cunning to swindle the Boers out of their lands and their riches, but they would control the country absolute.

but step would control to the control to the purpose England is used as a cat's-paw by these men. What could better serve their end than loudly to complain that the Boers are oppressing the Utilanders' Then the whole world will cry shame upon the Transvaal.

vaal Government regarding the recent arrest of Mr. Pakeman, editor of The Transvaal Leader, and the Government

less they first obtain permission from the local authorities.

The tension remains high pending the receipt of Mr. Chamberlain's despatch. It is asserted on oxcellent authority that the Transvaal Government, with a view of keeping the mining industry going, has decided to protect it in every possible way. As a first step the Government has notified the Rand companies that their men will receive protection so long as they remain peaceful, and, should war unfortunately occur, the men will be given a reasonable time to leave the country if they desire. It is officially announced that the article in the gold law about the confiscation of claims and mines belonging to people convicted of treason or conspiracy against the state, which was last year eliminated, will be Fleet of 200 Vessels Racing for Lower

London, Sept. 12.—The activity in the War and Admiralty Offices continues, shough there is nothing new regarding the Transvaal situation. It is said that orders have been sont to America for light iron girders and bridging sections for probable use in South Africa. Transports are moving to the dooks preparatory to embarking troops. The Activity Continues.

Netherlands Men Notified. Johannesburg, Sept. 12.—The official Preteria Is Deserted.

Pretoria, Sept. 12.—The burghers of this place are offering the Government gifts of meal. The town has a deserted

Exodus From Jehannesbarg.
Cape Town, Sept. 13.—Four trains
containing refugees from Johannesburg
have arrived hers. Four hundred refugees
have also arrived at Durban. During the
past week the relief committee of Johannesburg assisted 2,000 cases of distress
reported throughout the Transvaal.

No Sign of Andree. expedition under Prof. Nathorst, was spoken off the Skaw, the northern ex-tremity of Jutland, Denmark, yesterday, on her return from her search along the northeast coast of Greenland for Prof. Andree. She reported that she had found, no trace of the missing aeronaut.

A Result of the Strike. Queenstown, Sept. 13.—The British steamer Damara, Captain Williams, bound from Liverpool for Halifax, via St. John's, Nfid., touched at this port yesterday for the purpose of replacing incapable non-union firemen who had been shipped at Liverpool.

Rain in India. Bombay, Sept. 12.—Rain has improved the crop outlook in Western India, and the fears of a famine have been removed. The weather conditions foreshadow more r.in. The cotton crop has already been benefitted.

Legs Term From His Body.
Omemes, Sept. S.—On Wednesday afternoon, while threshing at Mrs. Costello's
farm, seven miles from here, Miohael
Powers of Downeyville met with a fatel
accident. They were just finishing, and
Powers attempted to cross over the
machine, but slipped into the cylinder.
His legs were torn from his body, and
before medical aid could be obtained the
young man expired. He was 18 years of
age, and jeaves a widewed mether.

A CITY TO BE MOVED. Alaska, Is to Be Taken Across th

Chicago, Sept. 12.—A special to The Tribune from Vancouver, B.C., says: While a public meeting was in progress in Skaguay, Alaska, a few days ago, for discussion of the annexation or absorption of Dyea, an earthquake startied the community. It was so severe that considerable damage was done to buildings. community. It was so severe that considerable damage was done to buildings. No person was scriously hurt. The moving of Skaguay's rival gateway city is a project both novel and extensive. The promoters of the enterprise have been working quietly on the project for some time. They are San Francisco men, F. Romo and E. Foreman. Mr. Foreman has closed a deal for 590 buildings, large and small, in Dyea. An army of men will be required for the work for removal, but nearly all of them have already been engaged. The plan is to bring the houses across the bay on scows. It is estimated that all the buildings which are worth snything can be moved in the course of two months.

STORM ON THE ATLANTIC

New York, Sept. 12.—A strong southeast wind, at times almost approaching
hurricane velocity, prevailed in this
vicinity for several hours yesterday aftermoon, and did considerable damage to
shipping in the harbor and properly on
Staten Island and several of the towns
along the Jersey coast. At Highlands
several houses were blown down and the
Sandlass Hotel was badly damaged. At
Perth Amboy several buildings were
blown down, chimneys blown off and
trees uprooted at a number of other New
Jersey towns. At Tottenville, S.I., a
number of buildings were destroyed.
At 5.80 o'clock the wind reached a
velocity of 65 miles an hour, and several

small boats were smashed in the lower harbor. The float of the Staten Island Yachs Club at Stapleton was wrecked, as were a sailboat and a barge belonging to the Ocean Yacht Club.

The yachts in the Horseshee did not appear to suffer. The Shamrook and her tender were apparently unharmed. Several small yachts off Atlantic Highlands dragged their, annows, but with one or two exceptions they were brought up before being carried onto the beach.

D. Hedgins Arrested at Petroles on Charge of Attempted Arson.

Petrolea, Ont., Sept. 12.— A. D. Hodgins was arrested yesterday under the control of the control o

Joseph Brenner Saielded.

Ashoroft, B.C., Sept. 12.—Last night, while suffering from a fit of insanity, Joseph Brenner committed suicide by throwing himself in front of an east-bound freight train at this place. From papers found on his body, it is believed that he was engaged in mining in Omenika, but more recently from Vancouver.

Return of Mr. W. E. Vanstone.

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Plokering, Ont., Sept. 13.—W. E. Vanstone, the drover who left Plokering three weeks ago, causing the Western Bank people and a number of farmers here considerable anxiety over large amounts he had left unpaid, returned to Plokering vesterday. National League Baseball Yesterday Washington 8, Cincinnati 8. (8 in.;

French Mission Annihilated. French Mission Annihilates.
Tripoli, Sept. 12.—A courier who has
arrived here reports shat the French mission headed by F. Foureau and Major
Lamy has been annihilated. He says the
mission was attacked by an immense
body of Tuaregs, who, after suffering
terrible loss, killed all the members of
the mission by force of members.

Forest Fires in France. Marseilles, Sept. 12.—Extensive fires are raging in the woods near Marseilles and Toulon, at least ton miles of forest being in flames. A number of chateaus have been destroyed, and others are threatened.

London, Sept. 12.—Leopold George Frederick Agar-Ellis, Viscount Clifden, died yesterday, in his 71st year.

CRIME AND CRIMINALS.

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Detective Greer estimates that 35 witnesses will be called by the Crown in the Ponton trial at the Cobourg Assizes, beginning Sept. 19.

David Colquhoun, a brether of James Colquhoun, former city treasurer of Glasgow, who was arretted recently, charged with defalcations amounting to more than a million dollars, has also been taken into custody. The examination of James Colquhoun is continuing.

tion of James Colquious is continuing.

Ingram Taylor of Bonne Bay was tried at Bay of Island, Nfid., on Thursday fersetting fire to a French lobster factory at St. John's Island, last March. He was convicted, and Chief Justice Little sentenced him to one year's imprisonment and two years' banishment from the colony.

A movement has been inaugurated in Hull for the purpose of securing the release from St Vincent de Paul Penitentiary of Joseph Riopelle, who was sentenced to four years' imprisonment on the charge of manslaughter, for causing the deah of Delphis Boyer, as Eardley farmer, while driving home from Ottawa one svening last October.