

BRITISH PUBLIC MUCH ALARMED

Part of it Believes German Financial Activity Tends Ultimately Towards War.

LOAN SURPRISES LONDON.

Financiers Rather Astonished That Rate of Interest Paid Should be So High.

It is Not Expected That English Capital Will be Invested or Engaged in German Market.

London, April 3.—The news given yesterday of the new German and Russian loans, amounting to \$162,500,000, came as a surprise to London and has resulted in much discussion and even in the expression of some anxiety of the financial position of Germany. That loans amounting to \$250,000,000 already have been found necessary this year, and that these loans are keeping pace with the great increase in naval expenditures of Germany, interests British financiers and the British public keenly, and some people are of the opinion that this financial activity shows a tendency ultimately towards war. Others, however, believe that these German loans provide a safeguard against war. Financiers here have realized that the naval undertakings of Germany, the Russian plan for expropriating the land of the Poles, and the project of extending the state railway network to the raising of a loan within a year, but it was not expected that the government would borrow so much at a time of peace, or find it necessary to pay such a high rate of interest. Four per cent. is a higher interest rate than Germany has been compelled to pay in more than 20 years. It is believed that little English capital will be invested in these loans and that the English market will only be indirectly affected.

LONG DOG SLEDGE TRIP

Ed A. Smith Completes One from Nome to New York and Wins Ten Thousand Dollars.

New York, April 3.—When seven sled dogs drawing an Alaskan sledge on wheels trotted into City Hall park yesterday, their driver, Ed A. Smith, completed probably the longest sledge trip on record and won a wager, said to be \$10,000, of nearly three years' standing. Smith is a miner and formerly government mail driver in Alaska. When he stopped to visit Mayor McEllen, yesterday, he had completed, said a trip entirely by land, not finding it in less than a month less than two and a half years. Smith is making his mail trips through the wilds and snows of Alaska with dogs as motive power, resulting daily in a wage that he could not make a trip with his outfit to New York from Nome in two and one-half years. Smith has won by one day short of a month. He received from the mayor an autograph letter certifying his arrival in New York.

A LIGHT SENTENCE.

Helena, Mont., April 2.—United States Judge Hunt today imposed the lightest sentence on record for a violation of the banking laws, when Nels Strongberg of Butte was fined \$10, having been found guilty of the same offense for the purpose of protecting his horses.

IMPERIAL IRRIGATION CO.

Is Books Are Ordered Turned Over to California Development Co.

Imperial, Cal., April 3.—The governor of Lower California has issued an order directing that the books of the Mexican corporation, owning that portion of the Imperial irrigation system in Mexico, be turned over to the stockholders of the California Development company, by the Southern Pacific company, and the stockholders now in possession of the Mexican company now own the intake and the largest portion of the main canal leading to distributing systems of main water companies. The stock of the company is owned by the California Development company, which owns that portion of the system in Mexico. This is the latest move in the contest between the stockholders and the Southern Pacific company for control of the irrigation system. As several matters have been recently adjusted between the interests involved, it is expected that this will be also. The annual meeting of the Mexican company will be held Tuesday, when there may be further developments.

SHORT BUT SWEET.

Couple Married in March Seek Divorce and Will Remarry in June.

Chicago, April 3.—Although their short wedded life has been "one fair day of bliss," Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Bond, who were married on March 11, because Mrs. Bond was divorced less than a year ago, in another ceremony will be performed. It is said to be the first instance of this kind in the city. It was Judge Carpenter's decision in a case that led the couple to ask for the annulment. At that time the court handed down an opinion in which he declared that divorced persons remarrying within a year lived together illegally. Moral grounds for the reason advanced by Mrs. Bond in her application. Mrs. Bond was the wife of R. O. Kruger, Chicago manager for a variety company, until last June. She secured a divorce from him on the charge of cruelty. About the middle of February Mrs. Bond answered an advertisement inserted by Mr. Bond asking for an acquaintance. It was less than a month after that they journeyed to Crown Point, Ind., where they were married by Justice Nicholson.

RUSSIAN LION AMERICAN EAGLE

George Hackenschmidt and Frank Gotch Wrestle Tonight for World's Championship.

BEST TWO IN THREE FALLS.

Strangle Hold Only One Barred—Bettors Regard Chances As About Even.

Chicago, April 3.—The largest crowd ever attracted by a similar event in Chicago is expected to gather tonight at Dexter pavilion to witness the match between George Hackenschmidt, "The Russian Lion," champion wrestler of the world, and Frank Gotch of Iowa, the champion catch-as-catch-can wrestler of America. The match will be for the world's title. The best two in three falls will decide the struggle and the only hold barred will be the dead-body hold. Gotch was regarded today by bettors and critics as having about an even chance with Hackenschmidt, an even this new hold together with the strangle hold from his title and it was argued that if Hackenschmidt wins, he must win quickly. If he doesn't get the first fall inside of 20 minutes it was contended that Gotch's power of endurance is likely to win the match for him. The Russian has seldom been asked to go the route over a long distance, while Gotch is used to the endurance game.

GOTCH'S CHIEF DANGER.

Gotch's chief danger, it is said, lay in the famous headlock of the foreigner. This Hackenschmidt claims is equal to or even better than the painful hold used by which Gotch will rely for the victory. It is a lock with fingers clinched over the top of the head and the Russian is said to be even more effective than the famous strangle hold, barred on account of its injurious effects. Hackenschmidt is said to have practiced this new hold together with a defensive on the too hold, Gotch's favorite grip.

THE MEN'S MEASUREMENTS.

Both men have been in training at the local clubs for the past 10 days and will enter the ring in excellent condition. The weights and measurements of the contestants are as follows: George Hackenschmidt, 175 pounds, 70 inches in height, 44 inches in chest, 44 inches in arm, 14 inches in leg, 14 inches in foot. Frank Gotch, 175 pounds, 70 inches in height, 44 inches in chest, 44 inches in arm, 14 inches in leg, 14 inches in foot. Both men are 30 years of age.

A PET DOG.

Brooding Over Its Death Cursed Mrs. Hanna Willis to Drown Herself.

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CITY ORDINANCES OF CHICAGO FAVOR THE RICH

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UNDENIABLE FOREIGNER

New York Detective Force Aiding Secret Service to Locate Him That He May Be Deported.

New York, April 3.—A goodly proportion of the detective force of New York City is busy helping the United States secret service bureau to locate all aliens in the city who have been undesirable and who may be deported. "There have been no arrests thus far," said Chief Elynn of the New York secret service bureau, "but the police and the secret service men are working together in weeding out such people as we can get hold of and stamp as unfit." "There is no chance of our deporting Berkman or Emma Goldman. The former has been here too long and the latter is the daughter of a citizen. Emma Goldman's father took out naturalization papers, and it is highly improbable that she can be sent out of the United States."

IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING.

Thief Dons Priest's Robes and Robs a Cathedral.

New York, April 3.—Charged with malicious mischief and intoxication, Eugene J. Fessel, of Brooklyn, is locked up in the East Fifty-first street station, where he was taken after being arrested behind the altar rail in St. Patrick's cathedral on Fifth avenue. Entering the sanctuary unobserved, Fessel, it is charged, arrayed himself in priestly garb, dragged costly vestment from the floor, and defied capture for ten minutes with two prayer stands, veiled as clues. A choir boy who noted this kind of action and approached him was seized and half smothered beneath a pile of silk and lace robes laid out for the service. Hearing the boy's cries, several decorators ran to his assistance but fell back when Fessel armed himself with a pair of heavy oak staves. With assistance of a policeman, he was finally overpowered and captured.

CONSUL ROACH DEAD.

Berne, Switzerland, April 3.—James Jeffrey Roach, the American consul at Berne, died here this morning after a long illness. He was 62 years of age. He was American consul at Genoa, Italy, from 1897 to 1901. He was appointed from Massachusetts and was a poet and author of considerable note.

VANDERBILT DIVORCE CASE

First Witness Called Was Howard Kempster, Cornelius Vanderbilt's Valet.

WHAT HE TOLD IS UNKNOWN.

Proceedings Held Behind Closed Doors—Principal Question Said to be Amount of Alimony.

New York, April 3.—David McClure, the referee appointed to hear the case of Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, who has brought an action believed to be for absolute divorce, has begun taking the evidence. The first witness called before the referee was Howard Kempster, who was the valet of Cornelius Vanderbilt, and who became valet to Alfred G. Vanderbilt when the latter became the head of the family upon his father's death. He testified at some length yesterday, and was expected to be on the witness stand again today, but as the hearings are conducted behind closed doors the nature of his evidence is a matter of conjecture.

VALET'S POSITION.

It is said that Kempster has enjoyed a position with Mr. Vanderbilt considerably more confidential than that of the ordinary valet, and the fact that he was left behind as a witness when his employer sailed for Europe is taken to indicate the taking of the evidence will proceed rapidly and that the hearings will reach an early conclusion.

This is said to be in accordance with the wishes of all concerned, including the immediate relatives of both Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt, but it is believed that Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt will be called to testify to the date of her marriage. This is expected to be the extent of her testimony.

QUESTION OF ALIMONY.

The principal question at issue is said to be the amount of alimony to be paid by Mr. Vanderbilt. It is reported that Mr. Vanderbilt has offered to the payment of a lump sum of \$1,500,000, and that if this is accepted as satisfactory his defense will be of a passive character, but that if it is rejected the action will be actively contested. The ground upon which Mrs. Vanderbilt's suit is brought has not been made public. In that connection it is said that Mrs. Vanderbilt might have brought action for divorce in Rhode Island, where she was living upon any one of several grounds. Any action for divorce in New York must be based upon the statutory cause.

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CONVENTION OF POPULISTS

Resolution Committee Gives Much Attention to Money Plank But Do Not Agree.

ALDRICH BILL IS DENOUNCED

Platform Calls for Government Ownership of Railroads and Public Utility Monopolies.

Permanent Chairman Honnecker Attacked Courts of Country and Their Injunctions.

St. Louis, April 3.—The platform to be submitted to the Populist convention was completed at daylight after an all-night session of the committee on resolutions. Much consideration was given to the money plank and when finally accepted by a majority of the committee it was not satisfactory to the minority and a fight over its phrasing on the floor of the convention was certain. A debate is also expected on the trust plank. As prepared by the committee this plank declared that the issuing of money is a function of the government alone that should not be delegated to any corporation or industry. The demand is made that money be issued direct to the people without the intervention of banks and be a full legal tender for all debts public and private. The working of the national banking law is criticized and demand made that the power to issue money be taken from the banks. The Aldrich bill is denounced as "a method by which the nation and the people can both be robbed. It has not in it an intelligent purpose that is honest." The Fowler bill is also denounced.

WHAT PLATFORM DEMANDS.

The plank on trusts demands that the government own and control the railroads, and all public utilities which in their nature are monopolies. Ownership of the general telegraph and telephone lines and a parcel post are also asked. The taxation of monopoly privileges was also taken up. It was demanded that the government own and control the railroads, and all public utilities which in their nature are monopolies. Ownership of the general telegraph and telephone lines and a parcel post are also asked. The taxation of monopoly privileges was also taken up. It was demanded that the government own and control the railroads, and all public utilities which in their nature are monopolies. Ownership of the general telegraph and telephone lines and a parcel post are also asked. The taxation of monopoly privileges was also taken up. It was demanded that the government own and control the railroads, and all public utilities which in their nature are monopolies. 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