

mourning to be felt throughout Germany.

In the Upper House a laurel wreath entwined with black and white ribbons hung over Count von Moltke's seat. The president read a letter from Mayor Moltke announcing the count's death, and then he delivered an address extolling the merits and services of the dead soldier as a member of the Upper House. Both houses adjourned until Monday next.

BERLIN, April 25.—Emperor William arrived in Berlin at 5:55 o'clock this afternoon, having interrupted his visit to the Duke of Saxe-Weimar as soon as he heard of the death of Von Moltke. The Empress and Chancellor Caprivi met his majesty at the railroad station and they drove direct to Von Moltke's residence. A consultation was held at the dead general's house in regard to the funeral arrangements, and the suggestion that the body be taken on Tuesday to the Von Moltke family estate for burial, in accordance with the wish expressed by the count, was approved. Religious services will be held in the hall of the general staff department on Tuesday morning. The coffin will then be carried, with imposing military honors, to the railway station for conveyance to Croisau. The remains will lie in state tomorrow.

Details regarding the count disclose the fact that during the last few days he worked with wonted regularity. He had no premonition of death. He had nearly completed a plan for the fortification of Helgoland, and had sent a report on the subject to Emperor William Tuesday last. The work that had passed out of his hands showed no trace of any abatement in the constructing genius and master of detail. He walked to his home yesterday after he had finished his labors in the Reichstag. He dined with the Swedish minister, and during the evening was very animated. Later, while playing his evening game of whist at home, he was attacked with a slight asthmatic spasm, and rose from the table and left the room. It was supposed by the others present that he would return in a short time, but, as he did not come back, his nephew went after him.

Major Moltke found his uncle in a sitting position gasping for breath. On seeing his nephew the count attempted to rise, and for a moment appeared to have mastered his weakness. He got up and then fell in his nephew's arms, seeming to faint. In a few moments he breathed his last. A doctor was hurriedly summoned, but when he arrived he declared life extinct. The cause of death was lesion of the heart. He was not known to suffer from any pronounced cardiac trouble. The clock work of life simply run down. The friends of the deceased general who were permitted to see the remains today say the features bore the placidity of a deep sleep.

The emperor, accompanied by the empress, visited the mortuary chamber and looked on the face of the dead. Both were deeply affected.

The speech made by Herr Von Levetzwe, president of the Reichstag, announcing the death of Von Moltke, deeply moved the House. All the members rose to their feet when the announcement was made and remained

standing. During part of the day on which the funeral will be held there will be a general suspension of business in Berlin and other leading cities of the empire. The emperor has given directions that the Royal Theatre shall be closed, and doubtless it will be decided to close the other theatres in the city as a mark of respect. All the papers join in eulogizing Moltke.

BERLIN, April 26.—The body of the late Count von Moltke was viewed by the public today from noon until 5 in the afternoon. The emperor has ordered the army in mourning for eight days. In his order instructing the army to go into mourning he says: "A friend and counselor has been removed from my side. I most deeply mourn this irreparable loss to myself, to the army and to the fatherland. To his last hour the deceased enjoyed unprecedented renown by reason of his military achievements and services for the welfare of the fatherland, whose gratitude will never die."

Von Moltke was in the best of spirits Friday evening, and reminded his niece that their supply of wine must be renewed. He narrated the story of a man who had sent him a calculation, showing that the general's birthday had never fallen on Sunday, and smilingly added: "If I was superstitious I might believe I had seen my last birthday." The emperor desires the whole Berlin garrison to take part in the funeral. As the route to the station is too short, the coffin will be conveyed to the Silesian Station. Thus the dead hero will pass the column of victory and through the Brandenburg gate, where he made his entries with his sovereign in 1866 and 1871. The route, which is five miles long, will be lined with troops and veterans throughout. It is probable that the Kaiser will personally command the troops.

Bismarck sent a telegraphic message of condolence to the family of the dead soldier. Count Von Schleffen, General Von Moltke's successor as chief of the general staff, has published, in the name of the general staff, the following tribute: "For forty-five years the deceased belonged to the general staff of the German army, for thirty-one of which he headed it. In that capacity has he not taken a place among the foremost commanders of all times?"

The count's will was deposited in the Berlin courts in 1887. The heir to the entailed estate is Major Wilhelm Von Moltke, son of the count's brother Adolph. Major Wilhelm Von Moltke is married but childless.

KILLED BY ELECTRICITY.

The deadly electric current had another victim yesterday afternoon and a more shocking scene could scarcely be depicted than that which occurred at the intersection of Twenty-eighth street and the alley between Curtis and Champa. A human being was being cooked alive out of reach of all help, and scores of people who had been drawn thither by the crowd turned away from the place heartsick.

About 4:30 John Sweazy, a line inspector of the Colorado Telephone company, ascended the pole to fix a wire which had become crossed with another telephone wire. He was trying

to get an easy position in which he could work and stood with his foot on the lower cross bar, holding to the upper one. He took hold of an insulator which gave way, nearly throwing him to the ground, fifty feet below. He regained his balance, however, and was preparing to do the work. Placing his left foot upon a wire, he attempted to put the other leg over the upper bar and took hold of another wire, thus completing the circuit. The shock was terrible and his whole body grew rigid from the effect. The current was evidently an alternating one as the muscles relaxed and the body assumed its natural position, but another strong current went through the man and again the muscles grew rigid.

HUNG ON THE WIRES.

It was fully five minutes before he lost control of himself and fell backward, striking on the wires, and lay there for nearly an hour and three-quarters burning. The hissing sound, the smell of burning flesh, made the spectacle a most horrible one.

A friend and former partner, Carl Green, lives but a short distance away and saw him ascend the pole. He went over to throw him a coil of wire when the first shock was received. He says that Sweazy was standing upon an electric light wire and that his foot slipped and scraped off the insulation.

Fully 2000 people gathered and it was an hour's hard work before the man could be gotten down. Green notified the company and the ambulance was sent up from the station, but was powerless without a ladder and a rope. The progress of the ambulance was slow, owing to the fact that it is too heavy for one horse, especially if the streets are very muddy. When they arrived, however, they were unable to do anything and sent for the hook-and-ladder wagon from the Curtis street station.

BLUE FLAMES.

When it arrived a blue flame could be seen and smoke emanating from the foot. Life became extinct in a few minutes after the accident occurred, but his hand still clutched the pliers with a death grip as it hung motionless.

The throng seemed to grow with each moment that passed and all stood breathless as they watched the ladders being raised and the body being taken from the deadly wire through which the current still poured. It was necessary to cut several wires before the body could be disentangled. The police had a hard time to keep back the excited crowd while the brave fire ladders and the linemen lowered the lifeless form to the ground. It was placed in the ambulance where in charge of Police Surgeon Smith it was taken to the coroner's, for the powerful current had done its work well.

A deep mark was burned in the right temple and the bottom of the left foot was cooked to crisp and badly blackened. It was evidently a more powerful current than that of a telephone wire and probably came from an electric poorly insulated crossing the wire he stood on.

The deceased was a single man about 25 years of age. He had been rooming at 3733 Market street, and had been in the employ of the Colorado Telephone