

ATTEMPT TO KILL SHAH OF PERSIA

Two Bombs Thrown at Royal Automobile Wreck Un- occupied Car.

THREE OUTRIDERS KILLED

Precautions Were Taken to De-
ceive Anarchists Responsible
For His Escape.

His Majesty Did Not Occupy the Usual
Conveyance, but Rode Behind
Procession in Carriage

Teheran, Persia, Feb. 28.—An attempt was made in this city this afternoon to assassinate the shah of Persia by a bomb. His majesty was not hurt.

Three of the outriders who were accompanying him at the time were killed.

The shah owes his escape to the precaution taken to protect him from just such an attempt as was made this afternoon. He was on his way to a nearby town where he intended to pass a few days. The procession had left the palace and was traversing a narrow street when two bombs were hurled down at it from the roof of a house. One exploded in the air, but the other struck the ground near the

shah's automobile. This missile exploded, killed the three outriders, wounded the chauffeur and a score of bystanders and shattered the vehicle. The shah, however, was not in his automobile. He had taken the precaution to send the motor car on ahead and ride himself in a carriage further

and ride unseen in a carriage tucked in the rear of the procession. The motor car was a closed one and it was thought that the sovereign was inside. As soon as the shah heard the explosions he alighted hurriedly from his carriage and entered a neighboring house. Here he remained quietly while his attendants sent word for a detachment of troops.

The present shah of Persia, Mohammed Ali Mirza, followed his father to the throne Jan. 9, 1907. He was the first monarch of Persia to begin the first step toward a constitutional society was devised by him but it has never fulfilled the hopes and aspirations of the people of

The latter part of December, disturbances were rife in Teheran and other cities. The lack of participation between the shah and the parliament leading to the issuance by parliament of a manifesto in which it was set forth that the shah was violating his covenant with the people and asking them to fight back to protect their rights, had been a major factor. The ill feeling of the local factions in Teheran developed about December into hostile demonstrations.

There was shooting on the streets

The constitutionalists loudly de-

The shah finally accepted the demands made on him by the constitutional leaders and this episode came to an end.

Mohammed Ali Mirza was born June 22, 1872.

PREPARE CELEBRATION IN HONOR OF TOLSTOY

St. Petersburg, Feb. 28.—The prepara-

sons for the international celebration of the eightieth anniversary of the birth of Count Leo Tolstoy and the binding under the same the committee, in the matter in charge, which includes many of the artists and most public men of Russia. Tolstoy was born August 28, 1828. In addition to a proposition to raise a fund to purchase the Count's present residence in the city of Yasnaya Polyana, the place, for a Tolstoy museum, it has been decided to issue a book of Tolstolana which shall include articles by Octave Mirbeau, George Brandes, Knut Samson and other notable men of letters of all nations. The names of American contributors who are not yet known but W. W. Bryan and George Kenph, have been asked send in articles.

ITALIAN CONSUL INTERCEDES.
St. Petersburg, Feb. 23.—The Italian ambassador to Russia, Signor Melegari, today visited Grand Duke Nicholas Nikolaievitch to request clemency for Calvino, the Italian newspaper correspondent who was yesterday found guilty by a military court of complicity in the attempt last week in this

city upon the lives of the grand duke and Minister of Justice Chitscheglovitch, and sentenced to death.

CHAMBERLAINS TAKE A REST.
LONDON, Feb. 28.—Joseph Chamberlain, accompanied by Mrs. Chamberlain, left London today for the Riviera. They will remain there for several months. Mr. Chamberlain's health continues to improve slowly.

ARRESTED FOR STARTING FIRE.
Johnstown, Pa., Feb. 28.—Charged with having started a fire at Barnes' hotel, near the city, a week, which cost \$100,000 loss and burned a woman to death, Leroy Adamosky, a tailor who occupied one of the burned buildings, was arrested today on the alleged he started the fire in order to collect insurance.

FIRE IN KANSAS VILLAGE.
Ellinwood, Kan., Feb. 28.—Fire here today destroyed the opera house, block 65. The town today sent a volunteer fire department. Fire apparatus sent from Great Bend succeeded in checking the flames, which threatened the business district. Origin of the fire is unknown.