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THE WORST YET IS IN BAD ODOR

New and Astounding Confession by Esterhazy.

Orders issued to Trial Courts - Wholesale Forgery of Documents in the Dreyfus Case.

NEW YORK, March 8.—A Times cable from London says: The narrative of Esterhazy, filling with facsimiles ten columns in to-day's Chronicle, is, on the whole the most extraordinary contribution yet made to the Dreyfus affair. He has sworn an oath as to its truth, which renders him liable to immediate prosecution for perjury, if his statement is proved false in any material particular. The task of investigating the documents and deciding upon their truth and value was intrusted to me. I have twice visited Paris during the week and in every possible direction have sought confirmation of the narrative, and although some parts and some documents are wholly beyond my power to prove or disprove, I am convinced myself that at any rate the narrative ought to be published.

What then, in a few words, are Esterhazy's statements? They are that the general staff of the French army was from the beginning aware of the falsity of evidence they produced; that they shielded to the very last moment subordinates who had, unscrupulously executed their unscrupulous orders; that sentences addressed by General de Boisdeffre, chief of the general staff, to the jury in the Zola trial, which absolutely forced a verdict of guilty upon them, were actually written by Esterhazy's lawyer; that the letter attributed to Panizzardi, an Italian military attaché, which Cavagnac produced in the chamber as absolute proof of the guilt of Dreyfus, and which was unanimously ordered by the chamber to be placarded in every one of the 36,000 communes of France, was known by everybody at the general staff to have been forged to order by Colonel Henry. These are specimens enough. There are grounds for thinking that these revelations, unless immediately disproved be forthcoming, may be the beginning of the end.

SUGAR MAKER GETS BOUNTY.

A Supreme Court Decision That the Grower Does Not Share the Coin.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Justice Brown of the United States Supreme Court, to-day handed down the opinion of the Court in a case involving the question as to whether the producers of sugar cane or manufacturer of sugar is entitled to the bounty paid by the Government. The case was that of Mrs. Bettie Allen vs. Ogden Smith, Mrs. Allen being the widow of the late Richard F. Allen, a large sugar planter of Louisiana.

The Louisiana Supreme Court allowed Mrs. Allen only half of the bounty allowed, the total sum being \$11,567, but to-day's decision reversed this decision, giving her the full sum on the ground that she was the actual manufacturer of the sugar and that the manufacturer and not the cane-grower is entitled to the Government bounty. Justice Brown remarked that the cane-grower would necessarily receive his share of the bounty through the enhanced price of cane caused by the allowance of a bounty.

TOO MANY ENTERPRISES.

An industrial crisis is predicted for Germany, owing to the scarcity of capital caused by the rise of many new enterprises during the present period of boom and prosperity. The crisis is likely to affect emigration, at present at a low ebb. Hence the German-American papers, who depend largely upon new arrivals for their subscribers, rather welcome it, for not a tenth part of the number of Germans who came annually some fourteen years ago now seek American shores. The Canadian papers hope that alien labor laws will divert the stream of immigration to their sparsely settled provinces.

A BERESFORD OPINION.

Lord Beresford has no confidence in submarine boats, and is quoted as saying: "It is quite useless as a fighting machine, owing to the necessary absence of morale among a crew, which would be in a blue-funk of it all the time." The probability is that partly submerged boats—on the line of the Nordenfiet, which exposes only a small surface—will prove of more practical utility and be more remunerative to the inventor.

The proverbial luck of the Cunard Line still follows the company, as in the accident to their steamer Pavonia, which was disabled when on the voyage from Liverpool to Boston. She was picked up by the steamer Wolviston, and towed to St. Michaels where, owing to a heavy gale, which threatened her with destruction, she was unable to enter, but her passengers were all safely landed.

Pitcairn Island Colony is Given Reproof.

Must be Radical Changes—Conclusions From an Official Report.

Pitcairn Island, as seen by the crew of a man-of-war, says a coast paper, differs materially from the island as viewed by the members of the fo'c'st'le of the brig Pitcairn. The brig's tars report a South Sea Eden as existing where dwell the descendants of the mutineers of the Bounty, but the fighting sailors say that the place is the home of degenerates, a highly immoral community, and one which will soon have to be taken in charge by the British Commissioners and made respectable.

A report has just reached this city in a private letter that the investigation ordered from Australia by the British Government has resulted in the expose of Pitcairn methods that are not in keeping with religion or civilized procedures. Hamilton Hunter, Special Commissioner for Sydney, has sent in his findings and they are of a very sensational nature and will not be calculated to inspire lovers of the "little white missionary vessel" with entire confidence in the South Sea Island outfit. Commissioner Hunter's paper is backed up by the officers of the British warship Comus now at Victoria, on which vessel the Commissioner took passage for the island. Rear-Admiral Palliser suggests to the British Government that a Governor be appointed to the island, and he states that the lack of morals and the low mental condition of some of the islanders is due to environments and absence of discipline. Hunter writes that the people are "lax in morals, weak in intellect, lazy and rapidly degenerating." They have the slanting brow, the brute feature, but they haven't got the hoe. They are too lazy to work and too stupid to accomplish much if they did.

England desires to transfer the entire colony to Tahiti. There was some talk of placing them on Norfolk Island, but the scheme has been abandoned. The colonists have married and intermarried so frequently that there is little hope of bettering their moral or physical conditions. It is hoped, though, that by separating the families there will be no more intermarrying and the race may be improved.

TO PRAY FOR RAIN.

LOS ANGELES, March 7.—The Methodist ministers of Los Angeles and vicinity will seek to learn why rain is withheld from Southern California. Wednesday of next week has been set aside as a day of fasting, humiliation and prayer. The committee that was appointed by the Methodist Ministers' Association to draft resolutions on the situation has reported. The chairman said the situation in certain districts was appalling. The committee decided there was need of rain in the spiritual as well as in the physical world. No recommendation was made that the churches pray for rain, but it was suggested they pass a day in humiliation and fasting, and ask God why he has sent this drought and what he wishes his people to do.

RAIN MAKING.

LOS ANGELES, March 8.—Under the direction of Prof. T. S. C. Lowe, experiments are to be made at artificial rain-making. A committee has been appointed by the chamber of commerce here to raise \$8,000, the amount deemed necessary for an apparatus and chemicals for bombarding the skies. Rain is very much needed here, and the conditions have been variable, many times of late, but no rain falls.

A FOUL DEED.

NEW YORK, March 8.—A cable to the World from Paris says: A great wave of emotion like that which swept America after the Maine disaster is now passing over France. It has become evident that the explosion of the powder magazine at La Goubraux was the work of an enemy. More mysterious than the explosives found was the attack on the sentinel there. Two shots were fired at him as he stood on guard. The sentry gave an alarm and the guard was turned out, but no prowlers were discovered, though the sentry says he saw six men running away.

MARQUIS ADVERTISED FOR.

LONDON, March 8.—An advertisement appeared in the Times this morning in behalf of a creditor enquiring the whereabouts of the Marquis d'Alligre, the husband of the late Blanche Roosevelt, the American singer and novelist, who died in Paris during the month of September last.

A LOSS OF 2,000

Lives Terminated by an Awful Tidal Wave.

Ships in a Maelstrom—A Japanese Royal Marriage—Government and Railway Ownership.

VANCOVER (B. C.), March 8.—A heavy maelstrom was encountered by the Empress of India off the Japanese coast between Kobe and Yokohama, in which several big liners, among them the Northern Pacific steamer Victoria, were obliged to lay to.

Details of the terrible storm which visited Korea give the loss of life as something appalling, fully 2000 being swept away and drowned by the tidal wave at Kungsan. At Chemulpo bodies were washed ashore by the score. The harbor was strewn with wrecks, junk and debris. A stone beacon was completely washed away. The beacon was finished in December at a cost of \$26,000.

Japan papers say that on November 3rd, the next birthday of the Emperor, or on August 21st, the birthday of the Crown Prince, the marriage of the Prince to Princess Teiko, the eldest daughter of Prince Fushimi, will take place.

The Japanese law for the Government purchase of private railways has been sanctioned by the Emperor.

The Japanese Government has decided to dispatch another war ship of shallow draft to China for further protection of Japanese subjects there.

Plans for improving the defenses of Java have been laid before the Government. It is intended to establish a harbor of refuge at Sourabaya and to lay out batteries on a commanding position at Batavia.

It is very hard to stand idly by and see our dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of the doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) druggist called at a drug store there for a doctor to come and see his child, then very sick with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come at once on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. Otto Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the country. For sale by Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., wholesale agents.

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