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## BERLIN

Mrs. Hutmacher entertained her many friends at an At Home on Tuesday afternoon, in her apartment Münchener Strasse 50. The tea-table was most beautifully decorated, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Kugemann presiding at either end. Madame Mara, accompanied by Herr Referendar Franz Heine, sang "Waldeggespräch" by Schumann, "Zuneigung" by Richard Strauss, "Venus-Hymne" by d'Albert and "Frühlingslied" by Reinhold Becker. Among those present were Mrs. Tower, Mrs. Thackara, Mrs. Hessenberg, Mrs. Wisser, Mrs. Griswold and daughter, Mrs. Dickie, Mrs. Honan, Mrs. Babcock, Mrs. Patterson, Miss Redfern, the Misses Reynolds, the Misses Thackara, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. McKelvey, Miss Crandall, Mrs. Towns, Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Brandenburg, Miss Heymann, Miss Kerr and many others.

The Exhibition of Old English Masters in the Royal Academy of Arts, Pariser Platz 4, has been visited by Royalty in a gratifying degree. Last Tuesday Prince Henry of Prussia himself conducted his brother-in-law the Grand Duke of Hesse, and the Grand Duchess, through the Exhibition; shortly after appeared the Grand Duke and Grand Duchess of Baden, who were shown through the rooms by Professors Kampf and Dr. Justi; then came the Regent of Brunswick, Duke and Duchess Johann Albrecht of Mecklenburg, the Prince of Schaumburg-Lippe, the Prince of Waldeck and others. They all expressed their admiration of this unique exhibition.

According to London reports, a successor to Sir Frank Lascelles as British Ambassador to Germany has been selected. Sir Gerard Lowther, at present British Minister in Tangier, is to be appointed Ambassador in Berlin, and will arrive next October. This selection would be an excellent one, as Sir Gerard has shown high diplomatic ability in the very difficult Moroccan position. Besides this change, there are rumours of the retirement of other members of the British Embassy.

The sixteenth International Congress of Americanists is to be held this year in Vienna, from September 9th till September 14th. According to the constitution adopted in Paris in 1900 the aim of this international organisation is the historic and scientific exploration of both Americas and their inhabitants. The special subjects to be dealt with at this year's Congress are selected by the committee in charge, and are as follows: (a) The native tribes of America, their origin, geographical division, languages, body measurements, health conditions, state of culture, religion, morals and customs; (b) Monuments and ancient history of both Americas; (c) History of the discovery and settlement of the new Continent.

Those wishing to participate are requested to apply to the Secretary General of the Committee, Regierungsrat Franz Heger, Wien I, Burggring 7.

Professor Schofield, who is now on the ocean homeward bound, permitted himself, immediately before his departure from Berlin, to be interviewed by the representative of a local paper. The Professor said he was well satisfied with his German students, whom he described as intelligent, diligent and sympathetic. He is proud of the fact that their original number of one hundred and fifty did not diminish up to the last moment of his lectures and seminary exercises. His only regret was that the time allowed for his stay in Berlin was so short; but that could not be helped, as his lectures at Harvard begin on February 16th. The present given him on behalf of the seminary, containing all works edited by the institution during recent years, pleased Professor Schofield greatly, and he expressed his gratitude for it in cordial terms. He will, he said, always remember the time during which it was his good fortune to work in the German capital as "Austausch-Professor"; and he promises to do everything in his power to help to bring the two nations nearer together. It is his ardent wish and hope that he may be able soon to return to Germany, and to renew the many bonds of friendship which he leaves behind.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

### NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

#### THE ENGLISH LABOUR PARTY.

At the meeting of the Labour party in London Mr. Arthur Henderson was chosen Chairman, Mr. George Barnes Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Ramsay Macdonald Party Secretary for the coming sessions.

#### A GERMAN ARRESTED IN LONDON.

A German commercial traveller, by name Peter Heinrich Kronen, was brought before the magistrate in London on Tuesday last, his extradition having been demanded by Germany. He is said to have practised blackmail and to have menaced two prominent commercial men by letters purported to have been written by an international anarchist society, in which he threatened these men that their property would be blown up with dynamite unless certain sums of money were forthcoming.

#### THE NEW ATTORNEY GENERAL.

It is officially notified that the Solicitor General, Sir William Robson, has been appointed to fill the office of Attorney General, vacant by the death of the late Sir Lawson Walton; and that Mr. S. T. Evans, M. P. for Mid-Glamorganshire, has been appointed Solicitor General.

### NEWS FROM AMERICA.

A banquet in honour of the *Austausch* Professors Leonhardt and Burgess, and of the success with which their labours have been attended, was held at the Astor Hotel in New York on Tuesday

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## DRESDEN

The annual General Meeting of the Anglo-American Club took place on the Club premises last Tuesday. The chairman and committee were re-elected.

Concert of Frau Frida Trodler-Striegler. The platform of the concert-hall at the Palmengarten on Tuesday evening bore an unusual aspect, a kind of family meeting being held on it. Frau Frida Trodler-Striegler, a concert singer who has once before very favourably exhibited her vocal qualities in Dresden, sang the Aria "L'amerò, sarò costante," from Mozart's forgotten opera "Il rè pastore;" her brother Kurt was the accompanist, and her youngest brother turned the pages of the music. All that was so amusing that one by no means realised how little suited the Aria was to the vocal development of the singer, how much more cultivation the runs and shakes required, how indistinct the enunciation was. That was first remarked plainly in the songs by Schubert and Brahms; in which the clear fresh soprano voice was indeed heard to great advantage, but the poetical contents of which were not fully brought out. The songs of her brother Kurt Striegler Frau Trodler was more successful in interpreting, and one could heartily enjoy, not only the refined compositions but the warmth with which they were rendered. Herr Johannes Striegler, who played the violin *obligato* in the Mozart Aria with great taste, should have allowed his contribution to the concert to stop there. He is known as an artist of refined feeling in quartet playing, but that merit does not imply that he is as yet qualified to shine as a soloist. Spohr's 8th Violin Concerto suffered much from want of clearness in the phrasing, and from lack of correct *technique* throughout; while Otto Urbach's graceful "Capriccio" was far too roughly handled for its due effect. The hall was crowded, even more so than when an artist of world-wide renown plays in it—a proof that this musical family has a multitude of friends and patrons in Dresden.

M. N.

Dr. Ludwig Wüllner will sing at his second and last concert on Monday February 10th at the Palmengarten, songs by Schubert, Löwe, Weingartner, Rubinstein and Strauss, and German folk-songs by Brahms.

The vocal concert of Hella Rentsch-Sauer will take place on Tuesday February 11th at the Palmengarten.

Elena Gerhardt, with the assistance of Herr Nikisch, will give her second and last concert in the Vereinshaus on Wednesday February 12th.

Helene Staegemann and Dr. Waldemar Staegemann (recitation) will give a concert in the Vereinshaus on Friday February 14th.

Boris Kamtschatoff will give a pianoforte recital in the Palmengarten on Saturday February 15th.

The fifth and last Philharmonic concert with the soloists Franz Naval and Caponsacchi (cello) will take place in the Gewerbehaus on Tuesday February 18th.

The programme of this evening's orchestral concert at the Gewerbehaus will be as follows: (1) Slavischer Marsch (by request), P. Tschaiakowsky. (2) Ouverture z. Oper "Die lustigen Weiber", O. Nicolai. (3) a. Tristesse d'Amour (first time), A. Tellier; b. Hochzeitsklänge (first time), C. Prietze. (4) Volksszenen a. d. Oper "Der Evangelimann", W. Kienzl. (5) Einleitung zum III. Act der Oper "Lohengrin", R. Wagner. (6) Solo for Violoncello Kol Nidrei (Herr A. Patzack), M. Bruch. (7) Tonbilder a. d. Oper "Samson und Dalila", C. Saint-Saëns. (8) Rhapsodie Nr. 4, F. Liszt. (9) Steyrische Weisen for two Solo-Violins and Harp (Fräulein A. Schindling, Herr Kapellmeister W. Olsen und Herr Konzertmeister L. Korb), [repeated by request], J. Lanner. (10) Sphärenmusik für Streichinstrumente, A. Rubinstein. (11) Frauenherzen, Walzer (first time), C. Thon.

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At the recommendation of the German Ambassador, Graf Sternburg, the Emperor William has presented the German Evangelical Lutheran Concoordia Church in Washington, D. C., with a beautiful Bible, with his autograph. The congregation have just celebrated their 75th anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutmacher will go to Oberhof, in Thuringia, on January 30th, to enjoy the winter sports there for a few days. They expect to spend most of their time on skis.

Jacques van Lier will give three popular concerts this season in the Klindworth-Scharwenka Saal: viz. on the 10th of February, the 14th of March, and the 15th of April. Subscription and single tickets are to be obtained from Bote and Bock, and Wertheim.

In the IV. popular Sunday soirée of the Dutch Trio, which will be held in the Klindworth-Scharwenka Saal on the 9th of February, Klara Erler, Else Bengell, and Hjalmar Arlberg will perform a manuscript composition of Hermann Erler, entitled *Ein Dorfidyll*. Tickets from the firms Bote and Bock, and Wertheim.

We hear that Fräulein Margarete Frankenstein's recitations to various societies in Westphalia and Holland during the month of January were warmly applauded by the audiences and very favourably noticed in the Press. Fräulein Frankenstein will give a recitation in the Choralion Saal on February 19.

The following concerts have been arranged by the concert agency Eugen Stern. Fräulein Tilly Koenen will give another popular song recital, with the assistance of Hermann Zilcher. The concert will take place at the Blüthner Saal on February 15. The programme will contain compositions by Schumann, Weingartner, and Strauss.

The principal numbers in Mr. Frederick Lamond's Chopin recital at the Blüthner Saal on February 14, will be: the F-minor Fantasia, the G-minor Ballade, the Sonata in B-flat minor with the Funeral March, the Polonaise in A-flat, the Barcarole in F-sharp, and the Nocturne in C-minor.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

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evening. Bishop Potter occupied the chair, and the company included many prominent members of the teaching and legal professions and of the financial world. The healths of Kaiser Wilhelm and President Roosevelt were drunk with enthusiasm, and national songs, German and American, were sung. Professor Leonhardt lauded the Kaiser and President Roosevelt as the authors of the exchange of Professors, and declared the measure to be a wise one, inasmuch as it might in certain contingencies prove a great blessing to mankind. Professor Burgess expressed his sense of the German hospitality which had been shown to him, and said that the exchange of Professors was the first step towards laying a foundation for the peace of the world. All the speakers referred to the friendly relations existing between America and Germany. A passage in the speech of Professor Kirschweg, of the Columbian University, in which he said he believed that a pan-Teutonic alliance had taken the place of the Anglo-Saxon, was greeted with enthusiastic shouts of assent.

### THE NEW CURRENCY BILL.

The New Currency Bill before the Senate provides that every National Bank which is in existence for at least a year and the reserve fund of which represents at least 20% of its capital, shall have the right of issuing notes to the amount of 1/2 of its capital without depositing Government bonds as security. The amounts, however, for which notes are issued under these conditions are not to exceed 40% of the aggregate amount of such notes which are secured by treasury bonds.

### FRENCH-AMERICAN COMMERCIAL TREATY.

Secretary of State, Mr. Root, and the French Ambassador at Washington, M. Jusserand, signed a French-American Commercial Treaty which is based on the principles of reciprocity.

Contrary to former treaties the United States have reserved for themselves the right to rescind the reduction of duty on Champagne in case France should raise the duty on American goods. France has retained a similar right for herself.

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### THE UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION.

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The economic depression caused by the stringency of money is evidenced in the fact that the orders booked on the 31st December 1907 aggregated 4,625,000 tons, that is 3,863,000 tons less than on December 31, 1906.

### THE JAPANESE IN THE STATES AND CANADA.

In the Japanese House of Deputies Count Hayashi, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, declared the question of emigration to Canada had been finally settled. That Japan had agreed to restriction of emigration to a certain degree which was to be defined in writing.

Treaty rights, however, had not been conceded by Japan whose prestige had in no wise suffered. Negotiations were also pending with the United States and a satisfactory conclusion to these was to be expected. It was the duty of the Government to protect the interests of Japanese subjects abroad by preventing further emigration. For this end extraordinarily severe measures would be taken.

## DRESDEN

The Great Art Exhibition of Dresden 1908. The thousands who visited the Third German Industrial Art Exhibition Dresden 1906 will have a clear remembrance of the deep impression made on them by the two churches, as they entered the main Hall. In that Hall, where those characteristic church interiors were then designed and constructed by Professor Schumacher and Professor Richard Berndt, Stadtbaurat Erlwein is now arranging a large court with transepts, reminding one of the court of a Roman Catholic monastery. Here the sculpture and statues introduced will appear to full advantage, whereas works of art that are intended for positions in the open air will in most cases lose some of their due effect when placed in rooms inside the Exhibition Palace. The smaller works of the kind will be set up in the passages between the rooms.

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The guards in the city today are furnished by the 2nd Grenadier Regiment No. 101. The band plays about 12.30 p.m. in the Neustadt.

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"König Albert," from Genoa for New York left Gibraltar Jan. 27th.  
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"Neckar," from Bremen for New York passed the Lizard Jan. 28th.  
"Frankfurt," from Galveston for Bremen left Galveston Jan. 27th.  
"Bremen," from Bremen for Australia left Antwerp Jan. 28th.  
"Kronprinzessin Cecilie," from New York for Bremen arrived Bremen Jan. 28th.  
"York," from Japan for Hamburg arrived Genoa Jan. 28th.  
"Bülow," from New York for Bremen left New York Jan. 28th.  
"Gneisenau," from Australia for Bremen arrived Suez Jan. 27th.  
"Prinzregent Luitpold," from Japan for Bremen left Amsterdam Jan. 29th.

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## THE EVE OF THE SESSION.

By H. F. L.

London, January 27, 08.

The depressing gloom from which London was suffering all last week owing to repeated fogs seems to have found its counterpart in the circumstances under which his Majesty's Government have once more to meet Parliament. While still staggering from the effects of the heavy blow dealt them by the result of the Mid-Devon election, and further embarrassed by the decision of the Labour party to hoist the red flag of socialism, the indisposition of the Prime Minister comes as a crowning disaster, for, while it is difficult to see in the Prime Minister a heaven-born statesman, there can be no doubt that he is a considerable asset to the party in the majority, his cheery and imperturbable optimism and self confidence forming a fairly efficient substitute for that strong leadership which has characterised many of his predecessors. There is always a temptation to overestimate a Government defeat at a bye-election, but the extraordinary turn-over of votes in Mid-Devon, a constituency which even in the darkest days of anti-Liberalism has remained considerably hostile to the Tory party, is generally admitted—save by Mr. Winston Churchill, who has inherited all his father's power of ignoring unpleasant facts—to be a striking proof that in certain quarters the Government is already outstaying its welcome. Mr. Asquith, that stalwart free-trader, waxes particularly indignant with the mendacity of the Mid-Devon Unionists who, according to him, flooded the constituency with lies to the effect that the Government is responsible for the present rise in the price of the four-lb. loaf. Mr. Asquith, as do other speakers on the Government side, conveniently forgets the glaring falsehoods anent dear bread, Chinese Labour and what not, that assisted him to power, and his righteous anger is, we suspect, chiefly due to the fact that the increased cost of bread is, if not *propter hoc*, at least *post hoc*, for what was prophesied as bound to occur if the door was opened ever so little to the heresy of reciprocity, has actually occurred, possibly owing to merely fortuitous causes, under the rule of an Ultra Free Trade Administration. It is, however, impossible for the Government to shut their eyes to the fact that the Unionist member for Mid-Devon made Tariff reform the main plank in his platform, and the result of the election shows plainly enough that Mr. Chamberlain's contention that his policy is surely gaining ground, is borne out by facts, while all the signs seem to point to a similar victory being imminent for Captain Clive in South Hereford.

The lamented and unexpected death of the Attorney General is a further source of embarrassment to the Government. Apart from the personal loss caused by the removal from the scene of one of the ablest fighters on the Speaker's right, there is the difficult question of replacing him. No Radical K. C. has more justly earned advancement than Mr. Rufus Isaacs, but unfortunately he secured his seat in the present Parliament by a comparatively small majority, and the election which would be necessitated by his promotion might well result in another disaster still more unpalatable to the Cabinet. It is likely enough, therefore, that on this occasion virtue will remain unrewarded and a less distinguished advocate, but with a safer seat, will receive advancement. Rumours are rife that the time has come for Mr. Winston Churchill to receive Cabinet rank. If this be true, yet another bye-election will be necessary, and although no one would cast doubts on the willingness of the Under Secretary of the Colonies to fight, and that strenuously, it seems to be the general opinion that he would only be returned with a considerably decreased majority which would be almost as unwelcome to the Government as a defeat.

While Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman, whose health unfortunately leaves much to be desired, can hardly be looking forward to the session, his mental attitude must surely be complacency itself compared with that of Mr. Birrell, whose fate seems to sink deeper and deeper in the slough of incapacity. Cattle-driving, owing to it said, to a rumoured agreement between the Government and the Nationalists, has apparently entirely ceased for the nonce, but the chief Secretary will have to answer on the subject of the State of Ireland. During the recess outrages of a graver kind have increased to an alarming extent, and the utmost bitterness prevails among those who have looked in vain to the forces of the Crown for protection of life and property. However Mr. Birrell may wriggle out of these embarrassments he will find a still greater difficulty in extricating himself from the quagmire into which he has plunged in the matter of the stolen Crown jewels. That the Viceroy was permitted to offer the post of Ulster King of Arms to two gentlemen, although Sir A. Vicars, the present holder of the office, has not resigned, that a petition of the knights of St. Patrick to the head of their Order, the Sovereign, was not allowed to reach His Majesty, are facts as damaging as they are undoubtedly true, but it will be even more interesting to hear what statement Mr. Birrell will make in defence of his extraordinary attempt

to hold the enquiry into this curious affair *in camera*, and by this hole and corner proceeding to prevent Sir Arthur Vicars clearing himself of the charge brought against him of gross negligence in discharging the duties of his office.

## MOROCCAN AFFAIRS.

The French Chargé d'Affaires in Tangier has cabled to Paris that in spite of the false rumour of the flight of the French soldiers from Marakesh, which was spread in order to provoke fanaticism, the tribesmen show but little inclination to follow Mulai Hafid. The recruiting of able men for the Mahalla is very difficult, and the price of arms exorbitantly high.

A telegram received from Casablanca and published in Paris yesterday states that Settat is occupied by a numerous force of Mulai Reschid's troops, with artillery, and that these intend to hold the place energetically against the French. General d'Amade will march on Settat in a few days, with a view to its capture and permanent occupation.

The French Minister for Foreign Affairs, M. Pichon, yesterday informed a representative of the *Matin* that the French Consul at Casablanca had been instructed to let Mulai Hafid know that General d'Amade will not attack native troops who show no hostile feeling to France, but that he will repel every attack made on French troops. "We are," the Minister added, "fully prepared to enter into negotiations if Mulai Hafid wishes us to mediate between him and his brother, particularly if such negotiations can bring about peace or some order in Morocco."

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## GIFT OF A MILLION TO THE POPE.

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## RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN BAVARIA.

Near the station of Vilshofen in Lower Bavaria a bridge, over which a train with six heavily laden luggage vans was passing, collapsed, throwing the whole train into the river Vils. The driver escaped with broken ribs but the brakesman disappeared among the ice blocks and was carried away by the flooded river. His body has not been found yet. The accident was caused by the pillars of the bridge having been damaged by high water.

## NEWS FROM RUSSIA.

A report from Warsaw says that a landed proprietor by the name of Heinrich Berner, his wife and six year old son, were killed by a band of robbers. The bandits wounded the servants, robbed the house and escaped.

## THE CHINESE CUSTOMS.

## SIR ROBERT HART'S RETIREMENT.

It is now officially confirmed from Peking that Sir Robert Hart has obtained leave on account of ill-health and that, as a special mark of Imperial favour, he has been accorded the rank of a Minister. In his stead Sir Robert Bredden has been appointed Inspector General of the Chinese Customs with the rank of Vice-Governor and Provincial Treasurer.

## NEW BOOKS.

Tauchnitz edition, to appear February 6. "Ancestors," 2 vols., by Gertrude Atherton, author of "American Wives and English Husbands," &c.

## WEATHER FORECAST FOR TODAY

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