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GENERAL NEWS.

NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

KING EDWARD'S HOLIDAY.

The *Agence Havas* learns on good authority that King Edward has abandoned his plan of cruising in the Mediterranean and will return to London in the middle of April. *En route* His Majesty will probably stay a few days in Paris.

THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

After a two days' discussion over the Scottish Land Bill, which was passed by the House of Commons with a large majority, the Lords passed a resolution rejecting the Bill as it stands at present.

A FIELD-MARSHAL ON INVASION.

Field-Marshal Sir George White, the defender of Ladysmith, in a speech delivered in London on the military position of England, said that the idea of a world at peace is a dream. He could imagine no clearer proof of the decline of a nation than that it should allow other nations to decide the question of its rights by arbitration, instead of itself standing up for those rights. It was dangerous to represent invasion as impossible. England possessed no adequate territorial defences. In case of war or threatened invasion, such a panic would ensue that no Government would venture to allow the fleet to put to sea in order to fulfil its principal task of protecting the importation of foodstuffs. While he was speaking, Sir George slipped from the dais on which he stood, and measured his length on the floor; but, quickly regaining his feet, he raised a general laugh by the remark, "I could not have given you a better illustration of the fact that danger may quite unexpectedly befall us."

PRESS GERMANOPHOBIA CONDEMNED.

Members of Parliament belonging to Trades Unions held a meeting in London on Wednesday, in the course of which a resolution was passed strongly condemning the efforts of a section of the British Press to alienate England and Germany.

HUGE MANUFACTURING COMBINE.

According to a telegram from Glasgow negotiations are in progress for the extension of the international iron-tube manufacturers' alliance to embrace the whole world.

THE HAMSTEAD COLLIERY DISASTER.

The rescue party which for several days has been incessantly working to reach the entombed miners in the Hamstead colliery, near Birmingham, succeeded on Wednesday in extricating 13 bodies. There is now not the least hope that any of the unfortunate men still in the mine remain alive. The rescuers are still handicapped by sections of the roof falling, and on Tuesday were still 200 yards away from the spot where the body of Welsby, the Yorkshire hero, had to be left last week. Her Majesty Queen Alexandra has sent a characteristically sympathetic message to the relatives of Welsby, who lost his life while endeavouring to succour his entombed comrades.

THE FRANCO-BRITISH EXHIBITION.

The *Daily Telegraph* learns that the opening of the Franco-British exhibition in London will take place at the end of the first or the beginning of the second week in May. The opening ceremony will be performed by King Edward, and President Fallières is expected to be present. The French President's visit will be an official one, and will extend over several days. A state banquet will be given in his honour at the Guildhall, and an address of welcome presented.

NEWS FROM AMERICA.

THE PRESIDENT AND STOCK-JOBBER.

President Roosevelt has ordered an enquiry into the usages of the Stock Exchange in dealing with securities, in order to find a basis for possible future legislation, the object of which will be to prevent or impede purely speculative transactions in securities.



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STOP PRESS NEWS.

AUSTRIAN-SPANISH AMENITIES.

Madrid, March 12. The Austro-Hungarian ambassador, the admiral and nine officers of the Austro-Hungarian squadron at Barcelona returned with King Alfonso to Madrid, and will be the guests at a banquet given in their honour at the palace this evening. The King, the Royal family and the Prime Minister, Señor Maura, were heartily cheered at the railway station here, and during their drive through the city.

OPTIMISTIC REPORT FROM MOROCCO.

Paris, March 12. According to a report from General d'Amade, the complete defeat of the Mزاب produced a profound impression. The General has received several personally-written letters from Mulai Hafid and the leaders of his troops, wherein they solicit the suspension of operations and sue for peace. Besides these, Mulai Hafid's two ministers, El Glani and Tugl, have offered to unconditionally make their submission.

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SAN FRANCISCO'S "GRAFT" SCANDAL.

Eugene Schmitz, former mayor of San Francisco, was released from prison on Wednesday upon furnishing bonds to the amount of over \$280,000, in consequence of the Supreme Court's decision that his original sentence was unjust. Preparations are being made for the re-trial of Schmitz.

JAPANESE DIPLOMAT'S FLOWERY SPEECH.

A London newspaper reports that Baron Takahira, the recently-appointed Japanese ambassador to America, made a speech at a dinner given by the New York Japanese Society, in the course of which he said that the friendship between America and Japan was so cordial that it practically constituted an unwritten alliance. It was probable that all outstanding questions between the two nations, at least those of any weight and importance, would be adjusted in the near future.

NEW TRANSATLANTIC LINE.

The *Frankfurter Zeitung* reports from New York that a new steamship line to Hamburg, called the Continental Line, will shortly open up traffic between New York and Hamburg with three vessels each of 10,000 tons. The passenger rates are to be lower than those of the lines in the combine. Chiefly interested in this new undertaking are the Erie Railroad Company and a fairly important express company.

FRENCH MARTYR TO SCIENCE.

Owing to the disastrous termination of an experiment he was engaged in at the laboratory of the Paris Technical School on Wednesday, Professor Blanc lost his eyesight and sustained severe burns.

RUMOURED BOMB OUTRAGE AT BARCELONA.

King Alfonso, accompanied by the Prime Minister Señor Maura, was entertained at breakfast yesterday on board the "Erzherzog Karl," the flagship of the Austrian squadron now at Barcelona. His Majesty proposed the health of the Emperor of Austria. In the evening the King left Barcelona on his return to Madrid.

Two telegrams from Barcelona are to hand, each reporting a rumoured bomb outrage which occurred during King Alfonso's sojourn in the city. The first one is as follows: A rumour is circulating here to the effect that an explosion occurred near the outer harbour, but only caused some slight damage; nobody was hurt. The second telegram reads: A local paper verifies the report that at 3 o'clock yesterday (Tuesday) an explosion occurred on the Quai Marazanas when the vicinity was crowded with people. The explosive had been placed in an iron pipe belonging to the canal system. The authorities have obliterated all traces of the explosion, and maintain complete secrecy regarding the event.

Later.

King Alfonso arrived back at Madrid yesterday forenoon without any mishaps.

MOROCCAN AFFAIRS.

Admiral Philibert telegraphs from Casablanca to Paris that a Frenchman and an Italian who had ventured into the neighbourhood of the Medakra tribe, in spite of the prohibition of the military authorities, have been taken prisoners by Moroccan bandits.

COLLISION OFF HAMBURG.

The Hamburg-American steamship "Sachsenwald," says a Hamburg telegram, collided with the British steamer "Cresswell," the latter vessel being so severely damaged that she had to be beached outside the harbour. The "Sachsenwald," which also sustained considerable damage, returned to Hamburg. The crew of the British steamer remained on board, and the vessel, which carries a cargo of grain, lies with her stern submerged. A tug appeared on the scene and diving operations were to take place yesterday in order to ascertain the extent of the damage to the "Cresswell."

FIGHTING IN EAST AFRICA.

A telegram from the Italian Governor of Somaliland confirms yesterday's report of an engagement with rebels. 500 Askaris commanded by an Italian lieutenant attacked the rebels, beating them after a fight of 45 minutes and destroying their camp and provisions. On their march back they were attacked in turn, but again beat the rebels in a hand-to-hand fight. In this engagement 1 Askari was killed and 4 were wounded.

TODAY'S GREAT THOUGHT.

Lawyers may attend to the law and the profits, but are not necessarily a religious class of men.

AN AWKWARD BURDEN.

The United States Courts have decided that a baby cannot be held "as security for debt." Babies, we may add, are exceedingly difficult things to hold at all.

BERLIN

The four days' sensation occasioned by the German Emperor's letter to Lord Tweedmouth has hardly yet subsided. Since this episode has proved that even the most private letters of the Emperor's may assume great importance, it may not be uninteresting to mention a few facts regarding the notepaper used by His Majesty. The royal notepaper is very simple, either of light brown shade and rough texture—this being preferred by the Emperor—or an ivory-finished stiff cartoon. Decoration of any kind is lacking, but occasionally the paper is distinguished by a light grey border. The Imperial monogram is, naturally, in the left-hand corner, sometimes interwoven with the crown, and this crest occupies almost the entire left side of the sheet. Nevertheless, there is still ample room for the Emperor's generously-formed handwriting as the writing-sheets are no less than 28 c/m wide and 37 c/m long.

In this connexion it may be interesting to mention that the Emperor's visiting cards measure 13 by 7 1/2 c/m, and bear the simple inscription:

WILHELM
Deutscher Kaiser, König von Preussen.
written in German script.

It is stated that the Prince and Princess of Wales will leave London about twelve days hence for Berlin, to visit the German Emperor and Empress, and they are likely to be away from England until about a week before Easter. Their Royal Highnesses will, according to present arrangements, spend a couple of days in Paris before proceeding to Berlin.

According to information received from another source the above report is not exact in every detail.

Tonight (Friday) Emperor William will be the guest of Ambassador and Mrs. Tower at their residence on Königsplatz, at dinner. As this is going to be last time that the Emperor will be entertained by the American Ambassador before the latter leaves his post, Mr. and Mrs. Tower have spared no effort to make the affair as impressive as possible.

The newly appointed British Ambassador to Berlin, Sir Gerard A. Lowther, is a younger brother of the Speaker of the House of Commons. He was born in 1858, entered the diplomatic service in 1879, and during his career has served at Madrid, Paris, Constantinople, Vienna, Sofia, Bucharest, Tokio and Buda Pesth. He was later secretary to the Embassy at Washington, and was appointed Minister to Chili in 1901, where he remained until 1904. He was a member of the British delegation at the Algeciras Conference, subsequently receiving the appointment of Minister at Tangier. Sir Gerard has, therefore, never been in Berlin in an official capacity. In 1905 he married the daughter of Mr. Atherton Blight, of Philadelphia. He is a member of the Carlton Club, therefore a Conservative.

Mr. Lloyd C. Griscom, American Ambassador to Italy, is expected to arrive in Berlin in a few days for a short private visit.

Mrs. Thackara, wife of the American Consul-General, has sent out a number of invitations for an At Home on Thursday, March 19th, to meet Mrs. Hartley. This will be the last social affair of the Thackaras in their present residence, 51 Motzstrasse, as they are going to move on or about the first of April to a fine new house on the Bayerischer Platz, also in Schöneberg.

Two German naval officers have just received a rare distinction from the U.S. Government. Lieutenant von Abendroth and Ensign Ancker have been decorated with the American Medal for the Saving of Human Life, in silver. The two officers, belonging to the staff of the Training Ship "Stein", lying at the port of New Orleans early in 1907, had distinguished themselves by jumping overboard, in full uniform, to save the lives of the occupants of a capsized private boat. This is the first time that German naval officers have received such a decoration from the Government of the United States.

Some time ago we reported in these columns that the Empress had paid a visit to the American church and donated to the library a copy of Queen Victoria's letters. Her interest in the church and its affiliated institutions seems to be very great, as Her Majesty, last Tuesday, sent down a Court official to ask the matron, Mrs. McDonough, which book of the library was most in demand. The surprising answer was that one book was always in demand: "Richard Wagners Dramen" by Lavaignac. This standard book on Richard Wagner is eagerly read and used by all musical students—and there is quite a number of American musical students in Berlin. The matron stated that the library would have to buy another copy of it to satisfy the

unceasing demand. The Empress was greatly astonished and pleased, at the same time, to learn that a German book of this kind was so much in request, and the very next day a copy of it was sent, with her autograph inscription announcing that it was presented by Her Majesty to the library of the American church in Berlin.

During the last few months some missionaries of the Mormon church of Utah have been touring through Germany and Switzerland. The Prussian as well as the Saxon Governments have expelled them, as they made themselves obnoxious by inducing people of mediocre intelligence to emigrate and turn Mormon. Now the Bavarian government has followed suit and told these men to quit the country as quickly as possible.

The visit of German clergymen to England has now been definitely fixed for the period from May 26th to June 3rd. It is expected that about 120 clergymen will participate. It is likely that some representatives of the Jewish ministry will also be invited to take part.

A Berlin family has been afflicted by the terrible school disaster in Cleveland, O. A sister of the wife of a well-known physician in the northern part of the city, who for obvious reasons does not wish to have his name stated publicly, is married to a Cleveland merchant. His mother-in-law is living with the Berlin family. As soon as the news of the fearful accident reached Berlin the doctor cabled to Cleveland to find out whether his relatives had been afflicted by it, and the shocking reply came that all four children of the couple had found their death in the flames of the school building. The aged grandmother of the poor children now firmly believes that her daughter has been burnt to death also, and that the news is being concealed from her. She had a nervous collapse and had to be taken to a sanatorium, where she is being treated. Her recovery is doubtful.

Baroness Ruth von Gregory entertained some ladies of the American colony at tea last Wednesday in her house on Königrätzer Strasse 104.

Mr. Cauldwell, the popular American Deputy and Vice-Consul of the Consulate-General, is going to take a short vacation, which he will spend in the United States. On Friday evening he will attend the dinner in honour of the Emperor given by Ambassador Tower, and from there he is to take the night train for Hamburg just in time to catch the "Patricia" sailing for New York the next morning. He will be back about the first of May.

On Saturday, March 14th, Mrs. Goldsmith is giving a dance for the younger element of the American colony.

Mr. and Mrs. Putnam Griswold have sent out invitations for a dinner in their house, Barbarossa Strasse 21, on next Monday.

Mrs. Blodgett, of Friedrich Wilhelm Strasse 4, entertains some friends at tea this afternoon.

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BERLIN CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

This evening:		
Royal Opera House	Sansou and Dalila	at 7.30
Royal Theatre	Sebrittinscher. Der zerbrochene Krug	7.30
Deutsches Theatre	Der Kompanjon (Kammerspiele) Frühlings Erwachen	7.30
Lessing Theatre	Lebendige Stunden	8
Hebbel Theatre	Frau Warrens Gewerbe	8
Berliner Theatre	Fürstar Christel (Hanni Niese)	8
New Theatre	Sinson (Ferd. Bonn)	8
New Schauspielhaus	Der Dummkopf	8
Kleines Theatre	Zwimal zwei ist fünf	8
Residenz Theatre	Bibl. Der selige Octave	8
Trion Theatre	Baron Toto	8
Schiller Theatre O.	Der Weg zum Herzen	8
" Charlottenburg	Auf der Sonnenseite	8
Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre	Hasemann's Töchter	8
Leisen Theatre	Krieg im Frieden	8
Comic Opera	Tiefland	8
Lortzing Theatre	Figaros Hochzeit	8
Theatre an der Spree	Ungültig	8
Bernhard Reue Theatre	Die Heiratsfalle	8
Bürgerl. Schauspielhaus Lustspielhaus	Hofgunst	8
Theatre des Westens	Panne	8
Urania Theatre	Ein Walzertraum	8
	Calro und die Pyramiden	8

Every evening until further notice.		
Metropol Theatre	Das muss man seh'n	at 8
Casino Theatre	Die Freuden der Häuslichkeit	8
Wiesengarten	Spezialitäten	8
Apollo Theatre	Spezialitäten. Yvette Guilbert. Mittelweg der Moderne	8
Central Theatre	Ein seltsamer Fall	8
Passage Theatre	Spezialitäten. Madama Hansko	8
Gebr. Herrfeld Theatre	Papa und Genossen. Salomonisches Urteil	8
Walhalla Theatre	Spezialitäten	8
Folies Caprice	Mal was anders. Jeunesse dorée. Paraph 343	8
Carl Haverland Theatre	Spezialitäten	8
	Sundays	7
Folies Bergère	Spezialitäten. Guerrero & others	8.30
Parodie Theatre	Tannhäuser. Nachtsyl. Rosenmontag	8.30
	Sundays	8

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Their Royal Highnesses Prince and Princess Johann Georg left Dresden yesterday for the Riviera, with the intention of paying a long visit to the parents of the Princess at Cannes.

Concert of the *Dresdner Lehrergesangverein*. The grand winter concerts given every season by the *Lehrergesangverein* always promise the hearer some special enjoyment. This time the concert was labelled "Modern Verse in Modern Music"; but whoever promised himself much from that title was disappointed, as really new revelations of a great artistic work were not vouchsafed to us. The choral work with orchestra "Am Siegfriedbrunnen," by Fritz Volbach is throughout in the old-fashioned style of compositions for male choirs in the eighties, which we know full well. The unmistakable likenesses to Wagner's *Nibelungen* are disturbing at the least. Far worse are the trivialities of which the amateurish gush of feeling cannot make enough. And Joseph Reiter's chorus for male voices "In der Frühe" has the sort of attraction for us that a very old acquaintance has, whom, however, we try to avoid because he bores us with dull platitudes. Much more charming is Jean Sibelius, in his *a capella* chorus "Gebrochene Stimme." If the beginning does not possess much originality the close is very impressive, and Sibelius shows that with simple means he can achieve very important results. If the same composer had only thought of doing the same in the Ballad "Des Fährmanns Bräute"! In this Herr Walter Soomer, of the Leipzig Opera, had to undertake an unmelodious baritone part in order to make unreal feelings appear credible; but the fine voice of the singer was not once allowed to be heard to advantage throughout the trying solo. What a real artist has to say was first heard in the two choral works for male voices by Hugo Kaun, "Die stille Stadt" (poem by Richard Dehmel) and "Die Hütte" (Paul Renner). Not that Hugo Kaun exhausts the Dehmel poem in its depth of feeling and lyric beauty; but one could nevertheless enjoy a work of real talent and musical power. Between the two an orchestral piece by Gerhard Schjelderup, a Norwegian composer resident in Dresden, was played. Only the close is grand enough for the subject treated. Willy v. Moellendorff is a very talented composer. His grand composition "Im Nachzug," for baritone solo, male choir, and orchestra is an extremely captivating work and gives evidence of refined and clear artistic intuition. Karl Bleyde does not afford us perfect enjoyment, talented as he shows himself in his music to Friedrich Nietzsche's dance-song "An der Mistral". The whole performance was carefully prepared, and went off in a very praiseworthy manner under the direction of Professor Friedrich Brandes. The Choral pieces were particularly well sung; but the Olsen orchestra, which has ways of its own, was not so perfectly under the control of the able conductor, and slight slips occurred now and then.

The concert was honoured by the presence of H. R. H. Princess Mathilde.—Dr. Max Neuhaus.

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The first official ascent of the new balloon "Dresden," belonging to the *Sächsischer Verein für Luftschiffahrt*, has been fixed to take place, wind and weather permitting, from the Gas Works at Reick, on Sunday morning next. The inflation of the balloon, which will contain 1,400 cubic meters of gas, is to commence at 10 o'clock and be completed at 11.30, when the balloon will be christened by His Majesty King Friedrich August or by H. R. H. the Crown Prince, and the ascent will immediately follow.

We are requested to state that, in consequence of the smallness of the space available, tickets of admission to the Gas Works can only be issued to

members of the Verein. Those who intend to become members should therefore apply at once for membership, addressing their application to the Sekretariat des Sächsischen Vereins für Luftschiffahrt, Waisenhaus Strasse 29, I.

Being aware of the interest which some of our readers take in the *Meissner Dombau Lotterie* we take pleasure in recording that in yesterday's drawing the following numbers were drawn with amounts from 200 marks upwards: No. 21,492, #10,000; No. 104,030, #5,000; No. 95,122, #1,000; No. 27,638; 84,079; 147,145; #300 each; No. 52,495; 68,321; #200 each. (We cannot guarantee the correctness of these figures.)

The programme of tomorrow evening's Symphony Concert at the Gewerbehaus, in which Herr Olsen's orchestra will be assisted by the Norwegian singer Frau Adelaide Welhaven and the Norwegian composer Fräulein Magda Bugge, will be as follows: (1) Overture, *Ein Sommernachtstraum*, Mendelssohn-Bartholdy; (2) Aria from *Der Freischütz*, Weber; (3) Symphonic Poem, "Festklänge," Liszt; (4) Symphony in D-minor, R. Volkmann. (5) Songs with pianoforte accompaniment, Magda Bugge: a. Ostern; b. Mai-Strophe; c. Tête-Melodie; d. Poesie; e. Der Sommer. (Frau A. Welhaven and the composer.) (6) Night Music from *Tristan und Isolde*, Wagner. (By request.)

On Thursday next, the 19th instant, Kapellmeister Olsen will take his Benefit.

The guards in the city today are furnished by the 12th Infantry Regiment No. 177. The band will play in the Schloss Platz about 12.40 p. m.

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BABIES INVITED TO CHURCH.
 The Rev. John A. Earl invites babies to the Belden Avenue Baptist Church, Chicago, and has made every provision for their comfort, even to nursing bottles and the like to keep them quiet while their mothers are listening to the sermon. The scheme inaugurated by Rev. Mr. Earl is an innovation so far as Chicago is concerned.

The preacher hopes to have from a dozen to twenty babies present every Sunday. One of the church parlours has been fitted up as a nursery. It is presided over by 40 young women, who will work in relays of 10 at each service.

THE MONEY POWER.
 Another of the recent arrivals in England from the States was Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, whose reputation as a man of business is common to two Continents. We do not know how many railroad reorganisations Mr. Morgan has carried through in his time, but they must be many more than those of any other financial magnate. He is a great lover of dogs, and his principal hobby is his yacht "Corsair." Mr. Morgan will be 71 next month.

DRESDEN CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

Royal Opera House.
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Herod	Herr Sommer a. G.
Herodias	Fräul. Eibenschütz.
Salome	Frau Krull.
Jochanaan	Herr Perron.
Narraboth	Herr Jäger.
A page of Herodias	Fräul. Schreiber a. G.
	Herr Rüdiger.
	Herr Wolf I.
Five Jews	Herr Grosch.
	Herr Erl.
	Herr Rains.
Two Nazarenes	Herr Plaschke.
	Herr Büssel.
Two soldiers	Herr Nebuschka.
	Herr Erwin.
A Cappadocian	Herr Wachter.
A page of Herod	Fräul. Keldorfer.

PLOT. Narraboth, captain of Herod's guard, is in love with Salome and yields to her entreaties to gratify her curiosity and allow Jochanaan (John the Baptist) to come out of his cell. Salome, on John's appearance, falls passionately in love with him. Narraboth, in despair, falls dead at Salome's feet. The Baptist curses Salome. Herod, who entertains a guilty love for Salome, implores her to dance before him, offering her any reward she may choose. She finally consents and at the conclusion of the dance demands the head of John Baptist. Herodias upholds her demand, and Herod reluctantly consenting, the head is brought on a silver charger. Salome gloats over it and Herod, in disgust, orders the soldiers to kill her, which they do with their shields.
 Composer: Richard Strauss, born 1864.

Saturday night	Hoffmann's Erzählungen	at 7.30
Sunday night	Don Juan	" 7
Monday night	Die Regimentstochter	" 7.30

Royal Theatre Neustadt.

Tonight	Hedda Gabler	at 7.30
Saturday night	Prinz Friedrich von Homburg	" 8
Sunday night	Zweimal zwei ist fünf	" 7.30
Monday night	Hedda Gabler	" 7.30

Residenz Theatre.

Tonight	Das Jungfernstift	at 7.30
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THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

According to *The Outlook* the right answer to the question, Who is responsible for railway accidents—the management or the employés? is undoubtedly, Both! But the division and nature of the responsibility is a question open to discussion. It so happens that lately there have been two enlightening statements from opposing points of view. The first is in the form of an Open Letter by Mr. W. H. Boardman, the editor of the *Railroad Gazette*. Speaking for Railway managers, Mr. Boardman declares that they are doing better than ever before, but "cannot be successful until allowed to control their own employees." In the employment of enginemen and train crews, he asserts, the trade unions have "rather more authority than the employers, and, except perhaps on the Reading and the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy, which have paid millions for the privilege, dangerous men cannot always be weeded out." And, again, in emphasizing the responsibility of the General Manager, Mr. Boardman says: "Perhaps his most difficult problem is getting obedience and weeding out inefficient men. The trade unions are arrayed against him, but his disciplinary work is essentially military, and he cannot succeed until he gets a high quality of military discipline throughout the entire operating force on train and track." The impression has rather generally prevailed that the unions of railway employees were of a high type of labour association. Mr. D. L. Cease, of the *Railway Trainmen's Journal*, writing in *The Outlook* last summer, very emphatically denied that railway organizations interfered with the employer if he proposed to suspend or dismiss for cause, adding: "There are times when the organizations protest against discipline, but railway employés understand that rules are made to be enforced, that their own safety depends on the exactness with which each employé obeys the rules, and they do not oppose the enforcement of punishment against those who deserve it." It is perfectly clear, whatever may actually be the truth as between these contradictory assertions, that no union ought for a minute to be allowed to interfere with discipline or management in such a way as to endanger safety. The subject is one that should be closely watched by the States through Public Service Commissions and by the Nation through its Inter-State Commerce Commission, while each body should have within its jurisdiction full power to deal with the whole question of public safety on the railway. Apart from this charge, Mr. Boardman analyzes the causes of accidents instructively. He admits candidly that many railway officials are legally and morally guilty of criminal negligence, but points out that in a very large number of cases of injury the passenger or employé is guilty of folly beyond the power of railway officials to prevent; outside of the 1,421 lives of passengers and employés lost last year in train accidents (nearly all due to disobedience, carelessness, or lack of discipline on the part of railway men) there were 3,599 lives of passengers and employés lost, and of these Mr. Boardman thinks about 1,000 might have been saved by strict obedience of employés or perfect equipment; for the 1,873 lives of passengers or employés lost on the right-of-way the blame must chiefly be laid on the victims. Still more is this true of the 6,330 persons other than employés killed along the lines, most of them when trespassing. The need of more thorough inspection is admitted, and the example set by Mr. Kruttschnitt, of the Southern Pacific, is highly praised. This includes a special department whose work covers cleanliness, ventilation, heating and lighting of cars and stations, neatness and good manners everywhere, excessive speed, schedule failures, neglect to flag, and running past signals. These latter dangerous practices have been nearly eliminated.

QUEEN WILHELMINA'S SUCCESSOR.

The people of Holland are wondering who will succeed to the throne of Holland in the event of Queen Wilhelmina, who has now been married seven years, dying without issue. The only other representative of the House of Nassau, to which the Queen belongs, is the Grand Duke of Luxembourg, who has daughters but no sons, and whose eldest daughter, by the Salic law, could not succeed to the throne. The succession would, therefore, pass to Queen Wilhelmina's nearest relative, Prince Henry XXXII. of Reuss, who is the son of a cousin-german of the Queen. His youngest son is attached to the German Embassy at Paris.

INDUCEMENTS FOR LAZY VOTERS.

A Frenchman named Leviril has left all his fortune to his native village, on condition that a banquet be given annually in memory of him, no one to be admitted but men who have exercised their right of suffrage at every opportunity during the previous year. In France, as in England, observes the *Liverpool Daily Post*, all sorts of inducements have to be offered to men to get them to vote.

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Tuesday, March 17th. 10.0 a.m. Matins.
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RED TAPE IN FRANCE.

Great Britain is not the only country which is bound by red tape. The *Bulletin de l'Association des Abonnés au Téléphone* furnishes a good example of how things are done in France. Frequently a letter is put into the letter-box without a stamp, and at the same time a ten-centime piece is dropped in by the sender. If there is only one letter no difficulty arises, but if more than one then the trouble begins. A special form has to be filled up by the postman giving particulars of the number of unstamped letters, and the number of centimes found. The report is sent to the Post Office authorities, examined and entered up and pigeon-holed. Meanwhile the addressee has been surcharged. After the clerical work has been accounted for, a Paris contemporary asks, how much of the few centimes goes to benefit the State?

A SLANDERED CITY.

Chicago has always been regarded with grave suspicion, so that it comes as a surprise when we are informed that with the exception of Milwaukee, Chicago is said by Dr. C. St. Clair Drake, statistician of the health department, to be the healthiest city in America. Chicago's death rate for 1907 was given at 15.25 per 1,000 population, based on the federal estimated population of 2,107,620. Milwaukee is the only city that excels Chicago's record.

THE AGE OF A FISH.

It has been found by ichthyologists that the age of a fish may be read from its scales. These increase in size by annular growths, two rings being formed each year. The "Otoliths," or ear stones, which lie in two sacs on either side of the base of the cranial cavity, afford another means of determination. Like the scales, the otoliths increase by two rings annually. Each spring, that is, from February to June, a white ring is formed, and each autumn, that is, from July to October, a black one. Thus the number of either white or black rings in an otolith gives the age of the fish in years. In the case of flatfish, the latter method has been found more trustworthy, whereas in the case of the cod the scales give a better result. Although varying much in size and shape in different species, the otoliths show a remarkable constancy in the same species. Hence they are of considerable value in the diagnosis of a species.

A LIBELLED INSECT.

You would think the death's-head moth a gloomy kind of individual, possibly? On the contrary. According to Mr. Martin Duncan, "as soon as the moth can fly properly, it goes straight to the beehives, and is found next morning intoxicated and mumbling stupidly, the centre of an admiring crowd of bees."

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"York," from Hamburg for Japan, arrived Genoa March 11th.
"Prinz Eitel Friedrich," from Bremen for Japan, left Bremerhaven March 11th.
"Prinz Heinrich," from Japan for Bremen, left Genoa March 11th.
"Kronprinz Wilhelm," from Bremen for New York, left Cherbourg March 11th.

WEATHER FORECAST FOR TODAY

of the Royal Saxon Meteorological Institute.

Variable winds, changeable weather with rain or snow, temperature not much altered.