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GENERAL NEWS.

NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

HERR DERNBURG IN LONDON.

Secretary of State Dernburg had an audience with King Edward on Friday evening. The German Chargé d'Affaires was present. Herr Dernburg visited Earl Crewe, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, earlier in the day, and remained to luncheon. Yesterday Herr Dernburg was to leave Southampton for Cape Town.

NIGHT MANOEUVRES SUSPENDED.

The British Admiralty has suspended the orders relating to night attacks and manoeuvres without lights until further notice.

FAMINE IN UGANDA.

The Daily Mail hears from Entebbe in Uganda that the failure of the banana crop in the Busoga district, to the north of Victoria Nyanza, has caused a famine. Thousands of natives have perished. The Government has undertaken the supply of provisions.

AN ANGLO-FRENCH COMMERCIAL TREATY.

The Daily Graphic states that formal proposals for an Anglo-French commercial treaty have been laid before the British Government by the French Ambassador. Preliminary discussions have already taken place on the subject between Sir Edward Grey and M. Cruppi, the French Minister of Commerce, who is at present staying in London.

THE INDIAN EXPEDITION.

A despatch from Dand, on the Mohmand frontier, states that the heat is intense. The friendly chiefs of the Salimzai act as guides. The Baizais and Khwalzais have decided, it is rumoured, to resort to guerilla warfare.

The flying column under Major-Gen. Anderson is marching in the direction of Mahakki, but no opposition is expected until Galanai is passed. The remainder of the force is proceeding to Galanai. Gen. Willcocks is with Gen. Anderson.

A despatch from Simla states that the tribesmen are preparing for battle; they have vacated their houses and removed their women and children. A reassuring feature of the situation is the determined effort being made by the Ameer of Afghanistan to prevent his subjects crossing the border or joining in a holy war. His measures are simple, but effective. Afghans who leave Cabul to fight the English are to lose their feet. Those who preach a holy war will have their tongues torn out. Some offenders have already been imprisoned. The Ameer is also trying to check the extensive gun-running into Afghanistan. Gen. Willcocks' force is composed almost entirely of natives, the Seaforth Highlanders being the only English troops in the field. As soon as the Mohmands are subjugated the force will return to Peshawar.

JUVENILE CIGARETTE SMOKING.

The Standing Committee of the House of Commons entrusted with the consideration of the Children's Bill met on Thursday, Mr. Laurence Hardy presiding. Mr. Atherley Jones proposed that the age of children, to whom cigarettes or cigarette papers should not be sold under a penalty, should be thirteen instead of sixteen. Mr. Samuel, in reply, said that England was the only Anglo-Saxon country where the regulations proposed were not in operation. He pointed out that in the Navy there were regulations that boys under eighteen years of age were not allowed to smoke. The amendment was defeated by twenty to eleven votes.

BOMBS IN CALCUTTA.

Despatches from Calcutta state that a bomb explosion occurred there on Thursday in which four people were injured.

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NEWS FROM AMERICA.

THE AMERICAN STAGE.

Apropos of the American stage, a well-known New York critic, in reviewing the season which has just closed there, has something to say concerning the American actor. He writes:—"Our stage today lacks any one player of transcendent genius, more especially as regards the ability to play classic and Shakespearean rôles; and in certain departments of the romantic and imaginative drama there is a shortage of men and women capable of creating a profound impression. But even here it may be doubted whether the fact is due to the shortcomings of the actor so much as to conditions over which he has no control. It is a notable fact that the theatre audience of today is on the whole more sophisticated than was once the case, and illusion is less readily effected; the actor labouring with material that once had positive value finds himself handicapped when he attempts to create an interest through the same medium. The mystery went out of the playhouse when the press agent came in, and the work of the actor and the playwright was doubled. This fact has been repeatedly demonstrated by the failures of plays that a few years ago would have had a fine chance of success. Occasionally the personality or the art of the individual actor will carry the machine-made drama to success, but in general the play which is merely a good play according to the old accepted rules is fore-doomed to failure."

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

The Finance Committee of the Senate has unanimously adopted an amendment to the Vreeland currency Bill which was passed on Thursday by the House of Representatives. The amendment on the one hand makes distinctions, and on the other additions corresponding to the Aldrich Bill. Clauses are also introduced, providing for the appointment of a national Currency Commission, to consist of nine Senators and nine members of the House of Representatives.

A later telegram states that the House of Representatives rejected the Senate's amendment.

ALLEGED GAMBLING SYNDICATE.

Revelations of a sensational nature, says a New York despatch to a London paper, may be expected if the police succeed in laying their hands on certain individuals, badly wanted by them in connection with gambling transactions of the shadiest character. Despite the rigorous action which has been taken to stamp out the notorious dens in which so many scandals have been enacted, very frequently at the expense of passengers from the Atlantic liners, it has been known here for some time that something in the nature of a gambling "syndicate," about which the most ugly rumours have been current, has been in existence.

Astutely managed, and with its operations spread over a large area, the syndicate has flourished exceedingly, and though there have been complaints, the police have hitherto not been able to obtain any evidence such as would enable them to identify and arrest the leaders of the organisation.

Such evidence, however, is now understood to be in their possession. The Tribune on Friday morning said it was reported that certain well-known and wealthy residents of Pittsburg, who have been victimised, have furnished information which will give the detective department the needed clues. They claim to have been robbed of a million dollars at roulette and various card-games.

TEXAS REPUBLICANS FOR MR. TAFT.

The Republican State Convention of Texas has passed a resolution in favour of Mr. Taft's candidature for the Presidency, but expressed itself in favour of the Roosevelt principles of administration. The delegates to the Republican National Convention were not specially charged to vote for Mr. Taft, so that they may vote for Mr. Roosevelt if the situation should develop in his favour.

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BERLIN

The Imperial Chancellor, Prince v. Bülow, arrived at Wiesbaden on Friday, at 4 p.m., accompanied by Captain v. Schwartzkoppen. He was met at the station by Freiherr v. Jenisch, and escorted to the Royal palace. Their Majesties the Emperor and Empress greeted the Chancellor upon their return from a concert, and later in the day the Emperor and Prince Bülow made an automobile trip.

With reference to the domiciliary search at Prince Eulenburg's palace of Liebenberg on Thursday, it transpires that the police not only searched the Prince's private room and writing desk, but extended their investigations to other apartments of the palace and to the dwellings of several of his employes. The search resulted in the discovery of numerous letters, and these were laid before the accused on Friday morning in the Charité Prison by the examining magistrate.

A local paper publishes some interesting information relative to the cost of the Imperial family's latest tour. The journey from Berlin to Venice, and from Pola via Vienna to Munich and Donaueschingen, by special train, cost 50,000 marks. The special train of eleven coaches, and of a total weight of 510 tons, from Pola via Penzing to Salzburg, necessitated an outlay of 20,000 marks, and for the run from Salzburg via Munich to Donaueschingen, 15,000 marks. The balance of the amount will be accounted for by the return journey.

Three skeletons found. In the course of the work of levelling and preparing the new trotting track, some workmen came upon three human skeletons from five to six feet below the surface, all perfectly preserved. Major Müller, who has controlled the ground since 1885, informed the police, who sent an official and the district medical officer to the spot. The remains are those of three males, and it is supposed that they were lightermen who were buried there without ceremony. There is no reason to suspect foul play as there is no sign whatever of the deaths having been due to vio-

lence. Possibly the bodies were brought down by the Havel river, and interred by order of the municipal authorities at the time. It is thought that they may have lain there 50 years. They were taken charge of by the city legal authorities.

When, a few months ago, William Scott was arrested on suspicion of being the organiser of the quack medicine swindle in Berlin, it was supposed that the public had been sufficiently warned against all such patent concoctions. But William Scott was released on heavy bail, and the police have discovered that the trade is still being carried on on an extensive scale from the so-called "Savoy-Warenversand," in two different houses near the Görlitz railway station. A few days ago a search was made there by the police in the presence of the examining magistrate, and in the house Wiener Strasse 46, a supply of teas, powders, &c. was found ready made up, and a stock of empty packages; while at a house in Reichenberg Strasse, it was ascertained that the Keith-Harvey ear remedy, the Pollak tea, and Professor Dana's remedy for asthma were being compounded and sent out in large quantities.

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As a place of entertainment Steinert's Weinstube in the Kurfürstendamm, No. 22, holds a unique position. It is claimed, with truth, that nowhere else in the capital can one meet such an assemblage of men eminent in the literary, dramatic and artistic world. Indeed, it is safe to say that the place numbers among its habitués everybody who is anybody in these circles. Coupled to this undoubted attraction is the no less important fact that Steinert's Weinstube offers equal advantages in the refreshment line, and has, besides, many relics of historical interest within its walls. An ever increasing clientele testifies to the public's appreciation of the hospitable endeavours of the proprietor.

THE LATEST SMOKE HORROR.

It seems we are threatened, though but vaguely at present, writes one of our lady readers, with a fresh horror for the coming season—the smoking dancing man! He does not propose, we trow, to puff smoke in our eyes while actually guiding us through the gyrations of the waltz, but exhausted nature is to be recruited by the aid of the weed as often as necessary in the course of the evening. Surely even the average meek female will resent having her dainty ball-dress made to reek of tobacco fumes? Yet, who knows? Has not the aforesaid meek female taken the suggestion that smoking be introduced into theatres with all the patience characteristic of that aggravating person Griselda? Men can scarcely be blamed, perchance, if they fail to realize how objectionable the smoking habit is in the eyes of many women. There exists an amiable conspiracy amid the members of the gentler sex to disguise this dislike. "Do you object to smoke?" enquires a lord of creation. "Oh, not at all," is the ready response of the smiling liar. May the recording angel write down such tarradiddles in vanishing ink! It is a comparatively fresh idea that tobacco may be used at all in the presence of the "Queens of the Earth," from Royal queens downwards. Sir Theodore Martin records the amusing straits to which gentlemen were put concerning this matter when on board the late Queen Victoria's yacht. She much disliked smoking, and would not countenance it at all; however, a cow was always carried to provide fresh milk for the Royal table, and into the cow-house used to creep the devotees of Lady Nicotine. Then, again, until quite recent times, it was considered only decent politeness for a man to throw away his cigar—even if newly lighted—on stopping to speak to a lady friend out of doors. Oh, what a falling-off is here. Well, the only thing women can do is to take to smoking in public places likewise. It won't be good for our health, our nerves, or our pockets, but all those remarks apply to men, however decidedly they may retort "rubbish."

GENERAL NEWS.

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THE NATIONAL RESOURCES CONFERENCE.

The national resources conference adjourned on Friday without having created any standing organisation for the future. Further meetings of the conference are to be summoned by the President if they are deemed necessary.

ART SWINDLE IN NEW YORK.

The New York correspondent of the *Frankfurter Zeitung* reports the discovery there of an art scandal. An art dealer, not named, has been accused of selling as genuine excellent copies of works by Inness, Wyont, and Martin. Mr. Evans, a millionaire and well-known patron of art, has consequently withdrawn from the National Gallery three landscapes, the origin of which is doubtful.

THE ABRUZZI ROMANCE.

Although the date of the wedding of the Duke of the Abruzzi with Miss Katherine Elkins has not yet been officially announced, it is stated on excellent authority that the ceremony will take place towards the end of October. The Duke is expected to resign command of the battleship "Regina Elena" at the end of September, and at the same time the formal announcement of his betrothal will be published. In the early part of October His Royal Highness will leave for the United States in company with his brother, the Count of Turin, and his cousin, the Prince of Udine. It is still possible that the marriage will be solemnised at Washington.

PIT DISASTER AT WILKESBARRE.

Seven men were killed and a score injured in the gas explosion which occurred in the Mount Lookout Colliery at Wilkesbarre (Pa.).

NEWS FROM RUSSIA.

FIGHTING ON THE RUSSO-PERSIAN FRONTIER.

General Snarski, the Commander of the Russian punitive expedition despatched to the Persian frontier, reported to the Governor of the Caucasus that all the Persian villages on Russian territory were destroyed, and that 500 armed Persians had withdrawn, without offering resistance, into the interior of Persia. Thereupon General Snarski received orders to penetrate into Persia, to disperse the robber bands with fire and sword, and in any case to burn the villages, protecting only the women and children. No serious importance attaches to the expedition; it is only a case for local action.

MOROCCAN AFFAIRS.

It is reported from Colombbechar that on Thursday last the column under General Vigy bombarded

the three large fortified villages of Douiret es Sebah, Tigliessa, and Aityacoub. According to news from a native source, not yet confirmed, the village of Boudenib was also fired upon, and the French troops came into touch with the main body of the Marabout Mulay Lhassen's army.

Later messages, dated from Algiers, state that General Vigy encountered the above-mentioned army seven miles south of Bu-Denib, and a fierce conflict ensued. The battle lasted until nightfall, the severest fighting taking place in the vicinity of a palm grove. Here the tribesmen had assembled in force, but were eventually driven out by a combined attack of artillery, cavalry, and infantry. On the following day General Vigy attacked Bu-Denib, the enemy's base, and succeeded in inflicting severe loss upon them. The French troops, whose behaviour is said to have been admirable, lost three officers and ten men killed, and sixty-five wounded.

According to the reports of passengers who arrived at Bordeaux yesterday from Mauretania, the situation in that district was very serious. A convoy was attacked three weeks ago near Alegsees and lost one officer and a non-commissioned officer killed, while another officer had been wounded. Fifteen thousand Moors with rifles and cannon were ready to fight. The headquarters of Colonel Gouroud were said to be threatened.

CURRENT TOPICS IN AMERICA.

(From our New York correspondent.)

New York, May 7.

THE BATTLESHIP "MAINE" TO BE RAISED.

It is not impossible that within a short time the United States Government will order the raising of the battleship "Maine," which was blown up and sank in the harbour of Havana in 1898. The wreck, part of which stands out of water, is an obstacle to navigation, and the aim will be, not only to raise it, but to tow it into home waters. It will be remembered that the blowing up of the "Maine" was the immediate cause of the war with Spain. The enquiry into the matter showed that the catastrophe, which cost the lives of 250 of the ship's crew, was due to an explosion from without and not from within the ship. American feeling, which had been much roused by the Cuban question, at once imputed to Spain the blame of having brought about the explosion; and as Spain's attitude in the matter by no means satisfied public opinion in America, but was regarded as a challenge, the war was inevitable. But there have never been wanting in America people who insinuated that the "Maine" catastrophe was the work of Cuban revolutionaries who hoped in that way to force the intervention of the United States in Cuba, and that the catastrophe was to

the war party in the Union a welcome ground of action against the "pearl of the Antilles." Such people perceived in the report of the Commission of Enquiry a certain mystery, and insinuated further that an examination of the wreck would show that the cause of the catastrophe was an explosion inside and not outside the ship, and that the raising of the wreck was deferred because certain people did not wish to have the "Maine" mystery cleared up. The demand that the wreck should be raised has been heard in Congress almost every year since in the form of a Bill, and again in the present Session. This time the question was more widely discussed than in previous years and, therefore, there is reason to believe that the raising of the wreck, which is absolutely worthless from a material point of view, will be carried out. The Democratic *New York Times* remarks that if the raising of the "Maine" is ordered, it will be chiefly on patriotic and sentimental grounds in order to recover a wreck which was the grave of American sailors, and not for the purpose of at last clearing up the explosion mystery.

A FACT STRANGER THAN FICTION.

In Philadelphia lately a lady of 30 years, who reached the age of 29 before exchanging a word with a male being, entered into the bonds of matrimony. With that male being she forthwith fell in love, and she has now married him. The lady's name was Ada Pratt. Thirty years ago her mother left her father and joined a female colony in Texas in which it was declared to be a sin to hold any communication with men. The members of the colony were nearly all well-to-do; its existence was due to a Mrs. Martha McWhirter, who said she had had a divine revelation that women were forbidden to communicate with men. Two months after Mrs. Pratt became a member of Mrs. McWhirter's colony, her daughter Ada was born. Besides her, nine girls were born in the colony. Ten years ago the colony was transferred from the solitude of Texas to the city of Washington. Its younger members were there brought up with conventional strictness, and no opportunity was lost of impressing upon them that they should shun the society of men. The girls, mindful of the teaching they had received, were seized with veritable dread at the sight of a man, and none of them ever dared to speak to one of the stronger sex. As far as possible they were kept from ever seeing a man. Amid such surroundings Ada Pratt grew to be 29 years old, when a young man named Franklin Hoover appeared upon the scene and she accidentally became acquainted with him. His image was impressed upon her heart, he was the first man she had ever spoken to, and she wanted to see him again. She found she loved him, and one day she left the colony and sought

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AMERICAN ACTORS IN LONDON.

The dramatic critic of a London contemporary has a good many hard words to say of the present American theatrical representatives in the metropolis. His diatribe runs as follows: "Our American Cousins" are in strong force at the London theatres just now, on the stage and off. In the former department they cannot be said to have added much to the artistic value of the season, although some of their plays and acting—their acting especially—is interesting enough. The best American acting to be seen here at present—and one of the best American plays—is on view at the Lyric, where "A White Man" flourishes like the Irish parson's green bay horse. Two weird specimens of American drama are showing at the Adelphi and the Aldwych. At the latter house, "Way Down East" embodies almost every vice of the ancient British melodrama, including the white-souled maiden with a happily deceased baby, the father with a heart of stone, the villain with a collar of fur, and all the other points of the transpontine drama of our childhood (not forgetting the snowstorm). It would be horrible were it not for the etceteras. These include a peasant choir that would be admirable had it any idea when to leave off; but it meanders on, like a suburban politician. Another etcetera is the knockabout comedian. Now, there are no other knockabouts like the Americans. America is a knockabout imitation of a civilised land; and its people are all noisy and knockabout, from the shoe-black to the President. They are all amusing to the sane outsider with a sense of humour; and the specimens at the Aldwych are peculiarly amusing—especially the confessed knockabouts. Mr. George Ade, of "Fables in Slang," is responsible for "The College Widow," now at the Adelphi. It is a barbarous product of a barbarous people—as crude in method as a Western Labour Union. Yet, after one has mastered the foreign lines in which it is written, "The College Widow" is diverting enough. I commend it especially to the notice of those politicians and other soft-minded folk who imagine that there is any sort of relationship, moral or intellectual, between the American and the English people.

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BERLIN CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

Table listing current entertainments for this afternoon. Includes Lessing Theatre, Kleines Theatre, Comic Opera, Lustspielhaus, Schiller Theatre O., Charlottenburg, Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre, Thalia Theatre, Theatre des Westens, Luisen Theatre, Bernhard Rose Theatre, Casino Theatre, Passage Theatre.

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Table listing current entertainments for tomorrow, Monday. Includes Royal Opera House, Royal Theatre, Deutsches Theatre, Residenz Theatre, Kleines Theatre, Comic Opera, Schiller Theatre O., Charlottenburg, Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre, Luisen Theatre, Lessing Theatre, New Theatre, Lustspielhaus.

Table listing current entertainments for every evening until further notice. Includes Walhalla Theatre, Folles Caprice, Carl Haverland Theatre, Passage Theatre, Casino Theatre, Wintergarten, Trianon Theatre, Apollo Theatre, Thalia Theatre, Metropolis Theatre, New Operetta Theatre, Theatre des Westens, Theatre an der Spree.

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H. R. H. Princess Leopold of Prussia, accompanied by Princess Victoria Margarete, arrived in Dresden from Berlin on Friday.

The remains of the late Sir A. Condie Stephen, Groom-in-Waiting to the King, and former British Minister Resident in Dresden, were buried at Brompton on Thursday afternoon. The first part of the funeral service was held at Holy Trinity, Sloane-square, the King and Queen, the Empress Marie of Russia, and most of the Embassies and Legations in London being represented, while practically every member of the Royal Household now in town attended the service at the church, including the Countess of Antrim, Lady-in-Waiting to the Queen, the Hon. Charlotte Knollys, and Sir Henry Ewart, the Crown Equerry.

Rarely indeed has the Opera House presented such a brilliant appearance as it did on Friday evening, when *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg* was performed. Every seat was taken, and hundreds who applied at the box-office early on Friday morning were turned away disappointed.

Herr Burrian, as *Walther von Stolzing*, and Frau Nast, as *Eva*, were heard at their best, and it must be conceded that these two great artists form a perfect combination. Herren Scheidemann (*Hans Sachs*), Plaschke (*Pogner*), and Rüdiger (*David*), sang with their usual excellence, while Fräulein v. Chavanne with her fine voice and impressive style was splendid in the rôle of *Magdalene*.

The cast as a whole was admirable, and the orchestra, under the incomparable leadership of Herr von Schuch, acquitted themselves magnificently.

Fremdenpreise. It is said that the *Fremdenverein* is going to pay attention to the notorious overcharging of foreigners, especially those who do not speak German. As examples of such overcharging, a subscriber sends in the following items where the same articles (often on the same day) were bought or priced by a foreigner, and by a German representative, in the same shop:—Ribbon, per meter *1.00—0.80*; dried Hagebutten, pound *1.10—0.90*; mutton, pound *1.40—1.20*; honey, pound *2.00—1.60*; book-binding, *1.95—1.25*; trunk, *37.50—32.00*; sweet oranges, pound *0.50—0.40* and even *0.30*; stockings, pair *1.75—1.50*; gloves, *4.50—3.50*; board, per week, (same room) *50.00—42.00*.

Our correspondent does not propose to enter into a controversy on the subject; the *Verein* can readily find dozens of such cases.

Diabolo in Dresden. Two Frenchmen, Messrs. Kra and Dupré, gave an exhibition of this game at the Sportplatz, Lenné Strasse, on Friday for the German Diabologesellschaft Berlin-Frankfurt. Both the young men showed great skill, and sent the bobbin three to four hundred times into the air every minute. This game was introduced into France from China in the middle of the 16th century. It was soon dropped, but revived again in 1812. The rules are somewhat similar to those of lawn tennis. The game is patented in many countries, including Germany, but equally good apparatus is made in Dresden. Some thought the Dresden apparatus more elegant and better than the original, but the two players were of the contrary opinion. The game has attained great popularity, but it involves work, and seems more difficult than lawn tennis. Another exhibition will be given by Messrs. Kra and Dupré at the Sportplatz this afternoon from 4 to 7 o'clock.

At Emil Richter's Art gallery, Prager Strasse, the grand Vincent van Gogh exhibition, which has attracted a large number of visitors and much notice in the Press, is closed. It is succeeded by another which bids fair to be at least equally attractive. In the first place, the Dresden painter Hans Richard Heinmann, who now comes forward again after an interval of several years, exhibits a collection of 27 paintings, chiefly landscapes. A portrait of his Majesty the King of Saxony, and other portraits of persons in Dresden society, by the portrait painter Georg Meckes, of Loschwitz, are sure to arouse great interest; these portraits, it is announced, will only be on view for a short time. Adèle v. Finck, of Berlin, is represented for the first time in Dresden by about 40 works, characterised by a wealth of colouring and nicety of style. Eugen Wolff, of Hechingen, who exhibits a collection of interiors and landscapes, is also new to Dresden. Frau E. Müller-Müller, of Berlin, another artist unknown in Dresden, contributes a number of admirable paintings and coloured drawings. Hans Licht, of Berlin, is no longer unknown here; he sends about 20 of his landscapes, including his most recent work.

The programmes of the orchestral concerts at the Royal Belvedere this afternoon and evening, and tomorrow evening, will be as follows.

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To-day. (1) March, Deutschland zur See, Fetras. (2) Overture, "Die Nürnberger Puppe," Adam. (3) Romance, Frühlingserwachen, Bach. (4) Ballet, "Die lustigen Weiber von Windsor," Nicolai. (5) Overture, "Martha," Flotow. (6) Waltz, Mein Ideal, Blon. (7) Herzen und Blumen, Czibulka. (8) Fantasia, "Tannhäuser," Wagner. (9) March, Rot, Weiss, Blau, Forwerk. (10) Overture, Nachklänge an Ossian, Gade. (11) Violin Solo with orchestra, Svendsen (Herr W. Olsen). (12) Suite, "Peer Gynt," Grieg. (13) Overture, "Pique Dame," Suppé. (14) Trombone Solo with orchestra, Pressel. (15) Waltz, "Der fidele Bauer," Fall. (16) Quadrille, Strauss.

Tomorrow. (1) March, Unrath. (2) Overture, "Le Domino Noir," Auber. (3) Melodie, Bolzoni. (4) Divertissement, Tirol in Lied und Tanz, Fetras. (5) Overture, "Jeanne d'Arc," Verdi. (6) Waltz, Dolores, Waldteufel. (7) Suite de Ballet, "Les Millions d'Arlequin," Drigo. (8) Overture, "Die Prinzessin von Trapezunt," Offenbach. (9) Es war einmal, Linke. (10) Zug der Gnomen, Blon. (11) Gallop, Fahrbach.

The Munich Art Exhibition of 1908 was opened yesterday by the Prince Regent of Bavaria, in the presence of a large and brilliant assembly, including the Diplomatic Corps and Ministers of State. The Bürgermeister of Munich delivered a speech in which he deprecated the statement that the city was degenerating as an art centre. It was hoped that the Exhibition would have the effect of instilling new life into the artistic movement in Munich.

Rudergesellschaft Dresden. The *Anrudern* of this rowing club, on Sunday last, could hardly be characterized as a "howling" success. In the first place, the start was not at 8 a. m., but at 8.45; in the second, the boats were put into the water at intervals during three-quarters of an hour; and in the third, there was no "keel-line" but an all-over-the-river course, each boat going where the

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coxswain saw fit. The representation was poor, only nine boats and less than forty men (one of whom, to perpetrate a bull, was a woman) being out. There was an attempt at keel-line formation during part of the home trip, in honour of the Blaszewitz Club; but altogether the occasion was nothing of which the club in general, or the participants, could be proud.

A damper was cast over the affair by the presence of the sunken motor-boat "Pique-As" of the Ruder Verein; the accident of the night before having cost Herr Henke his life. A formal expression of sympathy with the sister organisation was voted and sent.

The new eight has been delivered and tried.—C.

Leitmeritz. A most interesting steamer-ride can be taken, when the days are longer and warmer, up the Elbe as far as steamers navigate, to Leitmeritz in Bohemia. The boat leaves Dresden at 6 a. m., and arrives in Leitmeritz at 6.45, p. m. In the eyes of many who know them both well, the so-called Bohemian Switzerland is better worth seeing than the Saxon, there being more variety in form and colour in the landscape. The boat fares for long distances are ridiculously low, the Bohemian cuisine is good, and hotel accommodation is average in comfort and reasonable in price. On the way up, one passes the wonderful Schreckenstein. Meals can be had on board the steamer. For those who do not wish to spend all day on the boat it is advisable to break the trip at Bodenbach or Aussig, which makes it possible to start later in the day from Dresden.

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At the Central Theatre today there will be two performances. In the afternoon *Sherlock Holmes*, a detective comedy in 4 acts, after Conan Doyle and Gillette, by A. Bozenhard, will be given at half-prices; and in the evening, at 7.30, *Panne*, a comedy in 3 acts, by Rich. Skowronnek, at the usual prices.

The guards in the city today are furnished by the Schützen Regiment No. 108, whose band will play in the Neustadt about 12.30 p. m. Tomorrow the guards will be furnished by the same regiment, and the band will play in the Schlossplatz about 12.40 p. m.

Whoever has lost or left anything in the streets or squares of this city should enquire for the same at the *Fundamt* (lost property office) of the *Königliche Polizeidirektion*, Schiess Gasse 7.

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WEATHER FORECAST FOR TODAY
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South-westerly winds of varying force, and changing skies, rain at times with occasional thunder, temperature but little altered.

DRESDEN

DRESDEN CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

Royal Opera House.

Tonight, beginning at 7, ending after 10

Die Afrikanerin.

Opera in five acts by Scribe. Music by Meyerbeer.

Cast:

Don Pedro, President of the Council of the King of Portugal... Herr Rains.

PLOT. Vasco da Gama returns to Lisbon from unknown seas to find his betrothed, Doana Ines, about to be forced to marry Don Pedro.

Tomorrow, Monday, beginning at 7.30, ending after 10

Der Evangelimann.

Musical play in two parts (three scenes). Words and music by Wilhelm Kienzl.

Cast:

Friedrich Engel, warden of the convent St. Othmar... Herr Wachter.

PLOT. Martha, niece of Engel, warden of a Benedictine monastery in Austria, is in love with Mathias, a clerk.

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