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GENERAL NEWS.

NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

ANOTHER NAVY SPEECH.

London, October 3. Mr. Louis V. Harpourt, First Commissioner of Works, delivered a speech at Crawshaw Booth, Lancashire, yesterday, in the course of which he touched upon the German naval programme and pronounced it to be reasonable, clear, and honourable. Only a diseased imagination could discover in this programme an open threat to the world's peace. Other nations besides England must look to their national defence, and the steps they might take towards this end were no concern of England's unless her naval supremacy was threatened. Such supremacy was and would be maintained. "But at the same time," said Mr. Harcourt, "let me assure you that no grounds whatever exist for the recent agitation in the yellow Press. Within the last ten or fifteen years-and I speak with authority and responsibility-there has been no time at which more friendly relations existed between Germany and ourselves than at the moment. Let us keep our heads cool, our Navy ready, and our tongues polite; and we shall have nothing to fear from the yelping of those pariahs with which our habitations are intested and polluted."

DR. SVEN HEDIN.

Simla, October 3. Dr. Sven Hedin will leave Simla on October 7 for Bombay. He contemplates making a journey via Japan and Siberia to Europe, proceeding direct to Stockholm, where he will deliver his first lecture. He will then lecture before the Royal Geographical Society in London.

The explorer had a touching farewell interview with his six Ladaki servants here. Dr. Sven Hedin presented them with the animals, tents, weapons, and camp equipage remaining from his journey. The servants wept bitterly during the interview.

LETTERS OF QUEEN VICTORIA.

London, October 3. The King being aware of the great interest taken by the nation in general in the "Letters of Queen Victoria," recently published, has commanded that a new and popular edition should be issued, in order that the book should be brought within reach of all His Majesty's subjects. This edition will be in three volumes crown 8vo., and will contain 16 illustrations, as well as the complete text of the larger work carefully revised; it will be sold at 6s. net, bound in red cloth. It will be published by Mr. Murray in conjunction with the

PENNY POST TO THE UNITED STATES.

New York, October 1. The largest amount of mail matter ever received for dispatch to Great Britain in a single day was dropped into the Post Office boxes at midnight when the new penny postage rates came into force. Cablegrams of congratulation were today ex-

changed between the Post Office chiefs in London

and Washington.

London, October 2. On paying a visit to the American mails department of the General Post Office yesterday, a Press representative found that there was no anxiety as to the successful handling of the increased Anglo-American correspondence which will result from the introduction of penny postage between this country and the United States.

"Our machinery is so expansive," said a prominent official of the department, "that we are ready to deal with any extra demands that may be made on our staff by the first mails. An immediate increase of twenty or even ten per cent. would really be a remarkable advance, but even that would only mean a few thousand letters more."

"Do I think that the American correspondence to England is likely to increase at a greater rate than ours to America under the new scheme? That, of course, it is impossible to say, but it may be noticed that the balance is already on the side of the United States. The latest returns we have are for the year ended March 31st last, and they show that during that period the amount of letters and postcards sent from America to England and from England to America respectively was 503,000lb and 473,000lb.

Questioned as to the fear which had been expressed on this side of the Atlantic that American "get-rich-quick" companies would take advantage of the decreased rates of postage to thrust themselves more prominently before the British public, the official stated that this conjecture was probably based on a misconception of the true position.

"I suppose the communications referred to," he said, "are circulars, and if that is the case, it must not be forgotten that the rates for printed matter are still the same as before, viz., a halfpenny for two ounces. Now I do not think these bogus companies would pay an extra 11/2d. per packet for the sake of sending their circulars in a sealed envelope. I think, therefore, that the position in this respect is much the same as it was before the alteration."

In conclusion, the official expressed his satisfaction and that of his colleagues that Mr. Buxton's pet scheme had been brought to so successful a termination. "Mr. Buxton," he concluded, "has taken a very keen personal interest in all the arrangements, and has conducted some of the negotiations in person."

NEWS FROM AMERICA.

FATAL ACCIDENT ON A LINER.

New York, October 3. Miss Paula Berwig, of Milwaukee, who was one of the first cabin passengers on the liner "Graf Waldersee" during the last voyage from Europe, has died as the result of an accident on the vessel. Miss Berwig was thrown down some stairs by a sudden lurch of the steamship while a heavy sea was running, and fractured her skull. Her recovery was seen from the first to be beyond hope.

DASH FOR THE NORTH POLE.

St. John's (Newfoundland), October 2. Commander Peary's auxiliary steamer "Erik" has arrived here. She reports that the steamer "Roosevelt" left Etah, West Greenland, on August 18, bound north, with Commander Peary, three white

assistants, 25 Eskimos, and 250 dogs, besides the crew. Commander Peary hoped to push right into the Polar Ocean before the winter, as the ice conditions had never been more favourable, and he proposed next February to make a dash for the Pole, aided by the Eskimos. The "Erik" struck an iceberg on her return voyage, and was seriously damaged.

DEATH OF SCOTCH ARTIST AND WIFE.

New York, October 3. Mr. Robert Ross, an artist, and his wife, who are stated to have come from Edinburgh, have died in Jersey City of what is described as "malnutrition."

BOXING AT SAN FRANCISCO.

New York, October 3. The long-expected fight between Owen Moran and Eddie Hanlon came off on Wednesday at San Francisco, and proved one of the most keenly contested ever witnessed. At the end of the twentieth round the decision was given in favour of Moran.

QUEEN MARGHERITA AND MISS ELKINS.

Rome, October 3.

A prominent journal is able to state that Queen Margherita has again informed the King that the forthcoming marriage of the Duke of the Abruzzi has not her approval, and that she will not attend the wedding (if it takes place in Italy), nor the reception of the bride on her arrival in this country.

The match, however, is a popular one, and it is understood that the Queen-Mother has been told that her opposition may lose for her some of her own popularity. The general impression is that Her Majesty will give way at the eleventh hour.

MAXIN GORKY MARRIED.

St. Petersburg, October 3. It has just transpired that Maxim Gorky, the well-known writer, was recently married to Mdme. Andreiff, formerly wife of the famous author Leonidas Andreiff.

THE ILLNESS OF THE CZARINA.

I learn from a person closely connected with the Court (says the Daily Mail correspondent at St. Petersburg) that the state of the Czarina's health is causing considerable anxiety. Her Majesty has not benefited by her long yachting trip in Finnish waters, and the doctors insist that it is necessary she should spend the winter in the south. Her Majesty, however, demands to be accompanied by the Czar or Czarewitch, which is considered impossible. On the other hand, it is considered unwise to contradict the Empress in the highly nervous state in which she now is. A family council is debating the difficult question. The Royal yacht "Standart" has been equipped for a long journey. Her destination will probably

THE CHOLERA IN ST. PETERSBURG.

St. Petersburg, October 2. The number of fresh cases of cholera reported in the last 24 hours up to noon today is 171, and the number of deaths 85. The total number of cases now under treatment is 1,795.