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THE FRENCH NAVAL DISASTERS.

Little surprise was occasioned by the report that M. Thomson, who for several years has held the portfolio of the French Ministry of Marine, has resigned his office in consequence of the attacks upon him contained in the report of the Commission of Enquiry into the "Jéna" disaster, which in 1907 robbed the French Navy of one of its finest fighting ships. The report was nothing less than a scathing indictment of M. Thomson's administration, and it was supplemented in the Chamber on Monday last by a passionate speech from M. Delcassé, the ex-Minister for Foreign Affairs, who proposed a resolution the terms of which were a censure on the personal work of the Marine Minister. M. Delcassé explicitly accused the Minister of having systematically neglected his duty in rejecting advice proffered him by officials of the "Jéna" and other experts many months before the disastrous explosion occurred. The ex-Foreign Minister detailed the numerous and varied risks of explosion to which the ill-fated battleship was exposed owing to her faulty construction and the deplorably lax arrangement of her magazines, all of which defects, he said, were made known to the Marine Department previous to the disaster. He argued that M. Thomson had been guilty of negligence in setting aside these reports as a matter calling for no immediate investigation, and asserted that this official procrastination was the main cause of the deplorable catastrophe. In M. Delcassé's own words, those responsible for the French Navy really seemed to have accumulated all the causes that might lead to a disaster. They were literally tempting Providence. It was carelessness in responsible quarters that little by little produced in all the departments of the Navy and in all ranks first surprise, then a state of unrest and anxiety, and finally utter discouragement. That, said the ex-Foreign Minister, was the origin of all those disasters that had so deeply moved public opinion, of all those catastrophes that involved so many victims. Within three years there had been more losses in personnel and materiel than would have been caused by a naval defeat. It was the imperative duty of the Chamber to put an end to this miserable state of affairs.

It is hardly necessary to say that the vigorous tone of this indictment created a sensation among the Deputies, and later, when the newspapers came out with the Enquiry Commission's report and M. Delcassé's remarks relative thereto, it was seen that M. Thomson had, by resigning, taken the only possible course. In French naval circles, however, the resignation of the Minister is deeply regretted. Ever since he replaced the notorious M. Pelletan, who apparently undertook the administration of the Navy with the sole object of disorganising it beyond repair, M. Thomson has laboured incessantly to undo the pernicious work of his predecessor. When he entered office it is not too much to say that the French Navy, so far as fighting efficiency was concerned, was in a worse condition than it had ever been. A particularly insidious form of Socialism was rampant among the crews of the ships and the dockyard employés; the men entrusted with the task of designing new vessels for the Navy were absolutely free of official control, and were therefore at liberty to build battleships and cruisers in conformity with their own hare-brained plans. The consequence is that the French Navy is a heterogenous collection of marine hybrids, few ships being equal in fighting value to contemporary vessels of other navies. Moreover, in some cases the design of a ship was radically altered when she was lying half built on the stocks, and every inventive crank suddenly smitten with a new idea was at liberty to work his will on the unfortunate vessel. M. Thomson soon managed to root out this costly and suicidal system, but not without making for himself a host of bitter enemies. Superfluous officials in all departments of the Navy, who for many years had been fattening upon sinecures, were discharged wholesale. A clean sweep was made of all the men infected with that spirit of idleness and insubordination engendered by the spread of Socialist propaganda throughout the fleet. The extent to which this creed flourished in the Navy under the Pelletan régime is shown by the well authenticated story published in a French service journal some three years ago, to the effect that on board one of the battleships of the Mediterranean squadron was a perfectly equipped



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printing press, operated by several members of the crew, who turned off under the very eyes of their officers thousands of inflammatory Socialist pamphlets, which were promptly distributed among the other vessels of the squadron. Today, however, all this has been changed. Ships are laid down and completed in accordance with the original designs; the rank and file are more amenable to discipline and show increased interest in their work; the officers have become enthusiastic since they discovered their interests had ceased to be ignored. A new spirit permeates the Navy, and for this the French nation has only M. Thomson to thank. Nothing is definitely known as yet as to his successor, but we venture to think the Government will have a difficult task to replace the ex-Minister who has been driven from office by the unscrupulous intrigues of jealous politicians.

GENERAL NEWS.

NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

London, October 22.

Replying to several questions on the paper today with reference to the proposed European Conference, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs said that the object of the present negotiations between the Powers was to arrive at some agreement as to the programme of a Conference which should put an end to the difficulties arising out of recent events, without causing new uneasiness. "As Turkey," said the Minister, "has been most prejudiced by what has occurred, the British Government trusts that the first object of the Powers will be to secure compensation for Turkey, to support her interests, and to strengthen the new Turkish Government whose administration is having such a beneficial effect throughout the Ottoman Empire. The approval of the Turkish Government is a necessary preliminary condition of the adoption of any Conference programme; and, as the views of Turkey on the suggestions that have been made have not yet been expressed, I can give no further information. The proposal of a Conference proceeded in the first place from Turkey, but the idea of a Conference was mooted on several sides at about the same time."

A member on the Government side of the House having asked whether the Secretary of State would explain clearly the proposals put forward by the British Government, Sir Edward Grey answered that it would be premature to make any disclosures as

to the proposals favoured by a single Power. (Hear, Hear.) The object of the communications which have been exchanged between the Powers was to guard against the publication of views prevailing with regard to the various proposals.

AMERICAN POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S VISIT.

(From our own correspondent.)

London, October 22.

It is reported here that Mr. Henniker Heaton, the energetic and successful advocate of universal penny postage, had the intention of giving a dinner at the House of Commons shortly to Mr. Buxton and the Hon. G. Von L. Meyer, United States Postmaster-General, in celebration of the inauguration of penny postage between this country and the United States. Owing to the inability of Mr. Meyer to visit this country at present, however, the celebration has had to be postponed until next year. In a letter to Mr. Henniker Heaton, dated Washington, the 7th inst., Mr. G. Von L. Meyer wrote: "It would give me the greatest pleasure to visit England and the House of Commons, but I regret to say that it will be impossible for me to leave my post this winter. I hope to be able to avail myself of the opportunity of visiting your country some time next year."

Since the first of this month when penny postage to the States came into force, the number of letters addressed from England to all parts of the United States has increased by leaps and bounds, and there is good reason to believe that within a short time the Treasury will not only be able to cover the temporary deficit caused by the reduced rate, but in consequence of the enormous increase of postal traffic will reap the benefit of an increased revenue. A movement has been set on foot by several prominent men in this country to obtain the consent of the Government to an issue of stamps bearing the head of Mr. Henniker Heaton, in lieu of the ordinary picture of the sovereign. It is feared, however, that legal technicalities forbid the realisation of this unique project.

COUNT TOLSTOY'S GRATITUDE.

(From our own correspondent.)

London, October 22.

Count Leo Tolstoy has addressed a communication to the editor of the *Times*, in which he thanks his many friends in England for the kind letters and greetings which have reached him in great numbers. He writes: "From the last days of August to the present time I have been, and still am, receiving from most various sides such flattering greetings that I feel it necessary to express my extreme gratitude to all those persons and institutions who have addressed me so amicably and kindly... I thank all my friends and acquaintances, both in Russia and abroad, who remembered me on my birthday. I thank all those whom I do not know personally, of every various social position, including prisoners in gaols and exiles, who have greeted me with equal cordiality. I thank all the youths, maidens, and children who have sent me beautiful presents. I heartily thank all who have greeted me, especially those (the majority) who, quite unexpectedly to me and to my great joy, have expressed in their addresses full agreement, not with me, but with those eternal truths which, as best I could, I have tried to express in my writings. Excusing myself for my inability to reply separately to each institution and person, I ask all to accept this announcement as an expression of my sincere gratitude to all who during these days have expressed their kind feelings towards me, for the joy they have given me. (signed) Leo Tolstoy."

BRITISH SHIPBUILDERS REFUSE CREDIT.

Glasgow, October 22.

Reuter states that the contract between the Russian Government and the Grangemouth and Greenock Dockyard Company for the construction of five war ships, each of 8,000 tons displacement and to cost about £400,000, has been broken off, although it was all but completed, and transferred to the Schichau yard at Danzig, because the Russian Government had insisted that it should not be called upon for any payment until 1911.

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Mr. Reynolds Hitt, first Secretary of the American Embassy, and Mrs. Hitt have returned from their trip to Dinard and are at present staying at the Hotel Bristol, whence they will shortly go into their new apartment on Matthäikirch Strasse.

Professor Sefton Delmer, of the Berlin University, is lecturing this semester on the development of the English novel in the 18th and 19th centuries. The lectures begin on Wednesday, November 4, from 6 to 7 p.m. in Auditorium No. 2 of the University.

It will be welcome news to many students from England and America that the University in Berlin has established an Information Bureau, which is situated in the vestibule of the University, and where they can obtain information regarding all lectures and public meetings, etc., taking place inside and outside the University.

Mr. Lightbody, of Chicago, a competitor in the Marathon races at the Olympic games in London, St. Louis, and Athens, who has been for some time in Berlin staying at the Central Hotel, has gone to live with Mr. Langerman, of Wartburg Platz, Schöneberg. Mr. Lightbody intends to remain in Berlin during the winter, in order to study the German language.

Mr. and Mrs. Davidson, of Scranton, Pennsylvania, have left Berlin for Vienna, and will sail on the S. S. "Adriatic" from Southampton on November 18.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Goldsmith, of New York, who spent a short time in Berlin, also intend to return by the "Adriatic."

Mr. and Mrs. J. Josephthal, of National, Tennessee, who have been touring in Europe, return to America from Liverpool by the S. S. "Celtic," sailing on November 6.

Mrs. George E. Dowe, of San Francisco, whose husband died here last week, is returning home on the S. S. "Cedric," taking the body of her husband with her. Mrs. Dowe sailed from Liverpool on October 22.

The American Boys' Club will meet next Saturday at 3.30 p.m. at Wilhelm Strasse 34, to play Basket Ball.

Mr. William Dreher, of the *Associated Press*, and Mrs. Dreher returned last Saturday from America, and are staying at their former home, Speyerer Strasse 26.

Mrs. O'Hara Murrey gave a tea party on Friday afternoon in honour of Mrs. Olga von W.-Haskell and her family.

A large party from Belmont Pension on Tuesday last occupied a box at the Circus Busch, where they watched the various performances with great interest.

Mr. and Mrs. Huttmacher, of Münchener Strasse 49, returned this week from their summer trip to America.

The last Sunday evening gathering at Belmont Pension, Victoria Luisen Platz 10, included: Miss Johnstone, assistant of Dr. Luce at the Willard school; Miss Heynemann, a well known and very talented young dramatic artist, who delighted the guests with her recitations; Miss Celia Haskell, who

recited the quarrel scene from the "School for Scandal," taking the dual part of Sir Peter and Lady Teazle in a monologue; and Miss May E. Peterson, a very promising singer and pianist, who already enjoys a good reputation among prominent artists.

Mr. G. M. Cury and Mr. Leo Cury have returned to Paris from Berlin, and expect to sail for America on November 5.

The pupils of Madame Blanche Corelli are subscribing for a beautiful floral offering, which they intend to present to Signor Caruso as a mark of admiration at the end of the performance of "La Bohème" next Saturday.

Mr. John Schroeters, of the *Westliche Post*, St. Louis, and Mrs. Schroeters were recently entertained at dinner by the Prussian Minister of Finance and Baroness von Rheinbaben.

At the monthly lecture meeting of the Anglo-American Medical Association on Saturday last, Professor Kraus, of Berlin, spoke on a new system of Electro-therapeutics for heart trouble.

Mrs. N. Gonzales and the Misses Gertrud and Maria Gonzales have arrived here from Chicago, and are staying at the Hotel Bristol.

Miss Flo Moody, of Chicago, has arrived in Berlin and is staying at the Hotel Bristol.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jameson and family, of Brooklyn, New York, are at present in Berlin, residing at Potsdamer Strasse 126.

Mr. Louis de Vries, of St. Louis, and Mr. Louis Baker, of Appleton, have arrived in Berlin and are staying at Kl. August Strasse 4, I.

The Parseval-Balloon made its first trial trip on Thursday, at 11.30 o'clock, since the accident it met with on Sept. 16 in the Grunewald. The trip, which lasted 40 minutes, was a complete success.

TOMATOES STUPEFY CHICKENS.

Finding her flock of chickens apparently dying from some unknown disease, a lady in Maryland, U. S. A., was about to end their sufferings when she saw one revive. They recovered one after another, and then she learned that they had been rendered incapable of action by partaking of spoiled tomatoes that had been thrown out. Another lady in Illinois recently had a flock of ducks remain insensible for three days from a similar cause.

INGENIOUS PONIES.

A rather curious habit has been developed by Mexican ponies in connection with the cactus thorns. When these creatures are thirsty, it is said that, before attempting to put their mouths to the prickly plant, they will first of all stand and kick at the cactus with their heels. By this means the thorns are broken and the leathery skin bruised, and so the ponies can drink their fill of the cool juice without injury.

show no disposition to take serious notice of the allegations of fraud and corruption levied against them by Mr. Bryan.

OUTRAGE IN TENNESSEE.

New York, October 22.
A terrible outrage by nightriders is reported from Memphis, Tennessee. A gang of about 40 of these ruffians kidnapped four well-known Tennessee gentlemen who were visiting Reelfoot Lake on a hunting and fishing excursion. Later two of them were found hanged, and the other two are missing.

It is stated that the murderers had a grudge against the four gentlemen, in connection with certain hunting and fishing rights, which the latter had obtained. A reward of 10,000 dollars has been offered for information leading to the finding of the two missing persons or the capture of the gang. A body of troops has been called out to assist in the search.

THE DUKE OF THE ABRUZZI.

Rome, October 22.
An interesting telegram, which may perhaps throw some light on the contradictory statements published with regard to the Duke of the Abruzzi, is to hand today from Spezzia. It appears that the "Stella Polare," on board which His Royal Highness made his famous expedition to the Arctic, is now lying at Spezzia, and has within the last few days been undergoing extensive redecoration and repair, and a special State room, luxuriously furnished, is a feature of the renovation scheme, and it is hinted among those employed on the work that the "Stella Polare" wears quite the appearance of a "honeymoon ship."

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CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

This evening:	
Royal Opera House	La Bohème (Enrico Caruso) . . . at 7.30
Royal Theatre	Der G'wissenswurm . . . " 7.30
New Royal Opera House	Paraglyphen-Schuster . . . " 8
Deutsches Theater	King Lear . . . " 7.30
" "	(Kammerspiele) Frühlings Erwachen . . . " 8
Lessing Theatre	Gespenster . . . " 8
Berliner Theatre	Der Clown . . . " 7.30
New Theatre	Der deutsche Graf . . . " 7.30
New Schauspielhaus	Faust. I part . . . " 7.30
Kleines Theater	Lady Frederick . . . " 8
Comic Opera	Tiefland . . . " 8
Residenz Theatre	Kümmere dich um Amelie . . . " 8
Hebbel Theatre	Adrienne Lecouvreur (Sarah Bernhardt) . . . " 8
Lustspielhaus	Die Tür ins Freie . . . " 8
Trianon Theatre	Die Liebe wacht . . . " 8
Schiller Theatre O.	Stein unter Steinen . . . " 8
" " Charlottenburg	Der Graf von Charolais . . . " 8
Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre	Wilhelm Tell . . . " 8
Luisen Theatre	Flachsman als Erzieher . . . " 8
Bernhard Rose Theatre	Herr Paraglyph . . . " 8
Thalia Theatre	Brüder Straubinger (Girardi) . . . " 8
Apollo Theatre	Eine lustige Spreewaldfahrt . . . " 8
Theater des Westens	Der fidele Bauer . . . " 8
Every evening until further notice.	
Metropol Theatre	Donnerwetter — tadello . . . at 8
New Operetta Theatre	Die Dollarprinzessin . . . " 8
Wintergarten	Spezialitäten . . . " 8
Gebr. Herrfeldt Theatre	Die beiden Bindelbände . . . " 8
Berliner Operettentheater	Havana . . . " 7.30
Passage Theatre	Spezialitäten . . . " 8
Walhalla Theatre	Spezialitäten . . . " 8
Casino Theatre	Famille August Knoche . . . " 8
Folies Caprice	Die Brautschau. Die lustige Witwe . . . " 8
Carl Haverland Theatre	Spezialitäten . . . " 8
Urania Theatre	Der Montblanc . . . " 8
Parodie Theatre	Raub der Sabinerinnen. — Die Zauberflöte. — Berlin steht Kopf . . . " 8
Trianon Theatre	Die Liebe wacht . . . " 8
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GENERAL NEWS.

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THE SUFFRAGETTES IN COURT.

London, October 22.
Seventeen advocates of votes for women appeared before the Police magistrate today to answer to the charge of resisting the police during the demonstrations on the 13th instant. They declined to enter into their own recognisances to be of good behaviour in future, and were sentenced to terms of imprisonment varying from three weeks to three months.

NEWS FROM AMERICA.

ANOTHER HEARST BOMB EXPECTED.

That political pyrotechnist, Mr. Hearst, if *Collier's Weekly* is to be believed, is about to justify expectations expressed more than a week ago by concluding his display with a grand salvo of bombs, intended to demolish Republican and Democratic causes alike, and secure victory to the independent candidate. Mr. Hearst has just lately been, for him, ominously quiet, and it is much more than probable that he has been waiting for the contest-centre to shift into New York State, in order to produce some more damaging revelations. New York is now the pivot of the campaign, and impartial inquiries go to show that Mr. Bryan and Mr. Taft are there running practically neck and neck. Small wonder, therefore, if Republicans and Democrats are unable to conceal all the nervousness they feel when circumstances so strongly point to the truth of the contention that the Hearst party, at first regarded only with contempt, would prove its claim to be taken seriously. The Taftites (says a contemporary's correspondent), under present conditions,

THE PERNICIOUS CORSET.

Nations whose women are addicted to the use of the corset are waking up to a sense of the dangers arising from that pernicious custom, says *Health*. Russia has forbidden girls to wear corsets; and the Minister of Education in Saxony (a Kingdom of Germany containing nearly 4,000,000 in population), has decreed that girls attending the public schools shall not use stays. The physical well-being of the future generation depends upon the mothers; and women cannot be efficient mothers if they possess deformed bodies. Parents should take warning in time and let no foolish fashion prevent their daughters from developing into robust and symmetrical women.

RUSSIANS IN THE UNITED STATES.

More than 2,000,000 Russians dwell in the United States of America. They are engaged in various peaceful professions. Two hundred thousand of them work in the Pennsylvania mines. There are probably 11,000 Russian doctors and 4,000 Russian writers in the country, while forty Russians work as writers in English papers in America. In Boston, Massachusetts, the Russians have their own private library, which has been in existence since 1830. The Russians in the United States conduct eleven newspapers and four magazines in their native language. Almost every adult of the two million settlers in America is able to read and write. Most of them are Nonconformists—and a large majority of them are Socialists. As to their wealth and prosperity, the Russians sent, within three weeks, 48,000,000 roubles over to Russia during the days of the revolution to help along the cause; and this money, to a large extent, was wholly made up amongst themselves.

DRESDEN

Tomorrow evening (Sunday) in the Scottish Church the Rev. T. H. Wright will lecture on Tennyson as a religious poet. During the month of November he purposes to deliver two lectures on Savonarola and two on Andrea del Sarto, the man and the artist, as illustrated in Browning's well-known Monologue.

Mrs. Percy Sherwood and Miss Whittle begin their Musical At Homes at the Villa Sherwood on Saturday evening, October 24th.

Fräulein Helene Staegemann's reputation is now firmly established; she no longer experimentalises; she has renounced the ambition of passing as a universally gifted Lieder singer, and come to see clearly that she excels only in graceful spheres. Such a conclusion tells of indefatigable assiduity and constant self-criticism, and therefore demands special recognition. Fräulein Staegemann is now the great artist in a small sphere, and in that sphere she is absolutely without a rival. She smiles, she wails, she exults; she is capricious, coquettish, filled with a refreshing heartiness; but always real, imbued and invested with a bewitching grace as vivifying as a breath of Spring. One who knows so well as she how to breathe, to phrase, to produce and prolong the not powerful but always pure tones of her voice—in short, who is so perfect a master of the art of song as Fräulein Staegemann—may undertake the hazardous enterprise of reviving Mendelssohn, although he is rather out of fashion. Mendelssohn's soft and mawkish lyrics can no longer be borne for a continuance even when sung with the enchanting grace of an Helene Staegemann; but much in them that in other than such interpretations as hers would sound commonplace, is rid, by the high art of this refined and delightful singer, of the dross of conventional sentimentality and made to glitter like beautiful old jewellery. This is specially true of two of the songs she sang, "Lieblingsplätzchen" and "Frühlingslied," both settings of lines by Friederike Robert; and, in the light of such art, "Das erste Veilchen" seemed to live and bloom; "Das Hexenlied" was as plastic and finely chased in its characteristic details as if it had been composed by Hugo Wolf. The audience were highly delighted, and thanked the singer warmly for the abundant enjoyment she had afforded them.

The applause applied in no less degree to Herr Conrad V. Bos, who accompanied Fräulein Staegemann in a thoroughly congenial spirit; so that the supreme effect which art can produce was realized—absolute unity composed of two different factors.

M. N.

Many of our readers who have at one time or another enjoyed the hospitality of the well-known Pension Ilm, Sidonien Strasse, will hear with regret of the death of Herr Paul Ilm, the proprietor of the establishment, who by his unflinching geniality and conscientious attention to the comfort of his guests did much to make their stay in Dresden memorable and enjoyable. Herr Paul Ilm was in his 68th year.

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 Schloss Platz.

MUSIC AND ART NOTICES.

The programme of the music to be performed at the Vespers service in the Kreuzkirche at 2 o'clock this afternoon, will be as under. All the numbers except the first are taken from op. 2 to 6 of Ernst Friedrich Richter, born 24th of October 1808, formerly Cantor of the Thomaskirche at Leipzig.

(1) Mendelssohn: Allegro maestoso et vivace, from the IV. Organ Sonata op. 65. (2) Psalm 53 for eight-part choir op. 45. (3) "Miserere mei," Hymn for alto voice with organ. (4) "O Gott, du frommer Gott," Choral-Vorspiel with organ, op. 20 No. 3. (5) Psalm 117, for an alto voice with organ. (6) Gloria, for two four-part choirs, from the Mass in D-minor, op. 46.

The Church Choir, conducted by Herr Otto Richter, Kantor and Kgl. Musikdirector, will be assisted by: Miss Geraldine Wilson, alto; Dr. Schnorr, organ.

This year's Christmas fairy play at the Central Theatre bears the title of "Peter und Paul reisen ins Schlaraffenland," and the music is by the famous composer Franz Lehar. This play will be

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On Monday next Madame Sarah Bernhardt will make her final appearance at the Central in Sardou's drama "La Sorcière." The performance commences at 7.30 p.m.

"Spoken Songs," a lyric specialising of melodrama, have been composed with particular predilection by Theodor Gerlach for his brother Otto, who has become known far and wide as a reciter through his readings at the Royal University of Breslau. The artist brothers have been giving a series of concerts in Berlin, Hanover, Leipzig, Breslau, and other towns, and will appear this evening at the Palmengarten with a select programme of such "spoken songs," most of which are not yet in print. Tickets from F. Ries.

The Abbé Jollibois, of Wintergarten Strasse 17, is desirous of arranging a class for the study of the French language and literature among members of the English and American colonies, and he is also prepared to give private tuition in French. The Abbé is deeply versed in the literature of his native land, and his accent is described as particularly pure.

The Tonbild Theatre, Prager Strasse, is maintaining its reputation for up-to-dateness, and its varied programmes continue to attract numerous patrons. Commencing today there will be given representations of the Wilbur Wright aeroplane at Le Mans, France, which will show this epoch-making contrivance executing various manoeuvres in mid-air. We believe this to be the first occasion on which moving pictures of the Wright aeroplane have been produced in Dresden. In addition to this great attraction, the programme contains many other items of interest and enjoyment. The comical numbers are remarkably good this week, as also are the "Tonbilder" of which the Theatre makes a speciality. The Tonbild Theatre supplies a long-felt local want by presenting in the most interesting form imaginable all the latest events, and its programme may be described as an animated pictorial record of the world's progress from day to day. Such enterprise as is displayed by the management merits prompt and substantial recognition by the public, for whose amusement it so ably caters.

NEW BOOKS.

Tauchnitz Edition to appear next week:
Vol. 4,075—6: "Diana Mallory," a new Novel by Mrs. Humphry Ward.

TOMORROW'S HOCKEY MATCH.

The Akademische Sport Club's second match of this season, versus Leipzig, takes place tomorrow (Sunday) at 11.45 a.m. on the Club ground, Dresdensia Platz, continuation of Wiener Strasse. As the match promises to be an exciting one, it is hoped that the numerous lovers of sport in Dresden will turn up in force to encourage the players.

DRESDEN CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

Royal Opera House.

Tonight, beginning at 7.30, ending about 10.15

Oberon, King of the Elves.

Romantic opera in three acts. Music by C. M. v. Weber.

Cast:

Oberon, King of the Elves	Herr Grosch.
Titania, his wife	Fräul. Wenzel.
Puck	Frau Bender-Schäfer
Droll	Fräul. Sachse.
A mermaid	Fräul. Keldorfer.
Harun al Raschid, Caliph of Bagdad	Herr Büssel.
Rezia, his daughter	Frau Abendroth.
Fatima, her confidante	Fräul. Seebe.
Babekan, Persian Prince	Herr Erl.
Almansor, Emir of Tunis	Herr Puttlitz.
Roschana, his wife	Fräul. v. Chavanne.
Abdallah, a pirate	Herr Nebuschka.
Two gardeners	Herr Hahn.
The Emperor Charlemagne	Herr Seiter.
Hüon of Bordeaux, Duke of Guienne	Herr Holder.
Scherasmin, his esquire	Herr Sembach.
	Herr Trede.

PLOT. Oberon has quarrelled with Titania, and they have vowed not to be reconciled until they find a pair of lovers faithful in adversity. Oberon's servant Puck, wandering to find what his master needs, hears of Hüon of Bordeaux who, having slain Charlemagne's son in a duel, has been ordered to go to Bagdad to slay the favourite sitting on the Caliph's left and to wed the Caliph's daughter, Rezia. Puck makes Hüon and Rezia see each other in a vision and fall in love with each other. Oberon gives the former a magic horn and to his esquire, Scherasmin, a magic cup. Rezia is to marry Babekan, but she has hated him ever since she saw Hüon in her dream. Fatima, her maid, hears of Hüon's arrival in Bagdad. At the beginning of the second act the Caliph is about to celebrate his daughter's nuptials, but Hüon, recognising Rezia as the maiden of his dream, kills Babekan. The Turks attack him, but Scherasmin remembers the horn in time and on his blowing it, Oberon transports the lovers to the sea shore where, together with Scherasmin and Fatima, they embark on a ship. Oberon, to make trial of their mutual love in adversity, bids Puck raise the spirits of the storm. They are shipwrecked. Rezia is captured by pirates and Hüon, attempting to rescue her, is wounded and left senseless on the beach. Scherasmin and Fatima are sold as slaves to the Emir of Tunis, Hüon has been thrown into a magic sleep by Oberon and, on waking after seven days, finds himself in the Emir's garden. Fatima discovers that Rezia is in the Emir's harem. Hüon receives a message bidding him come to the myrtle tower at night, but is horrified to find the lady who meets him is Roschana, the Emir's wife, who has fallen in love with him. The Emir discovers the pair and orders Hüon to be burnt and Roschana to be drowned. Rezia begs for Hüon's life, but the Emir will not listen and orders her to be burnt with her lover. Scherasmin is in despair, but finding the horn, blows it and all the Emir's slaves find themselves compelled to dance to its strains. Oberon appears with his reconciled wife Titania, and conveys the lovers to Paris, where Charlemagne welcomes Sir Hüon and his bride.

Composer: C. M. v. Weber, born 1786, died 1826.

Sunday night	Eugen Onegin	at 7.30
Monday night	Die Folkunger	" 7.30

Royal Theatre Neustadt.

Tonight	Le robe rouge	at 7.30
Sunday night	Die Liebe wacht	" 7.30
Monday night	Brand	" 7

Residenz Theatre.

Tonight	Der Prinzpapa	at 7.30
Sunday afternoon	Die Schützenlied	" 7.30
Sunday night	Der Prinzpapa	" 7.30

Central Theatre	Variety Performance	at 8
Victoria Salen	Variety Performance	" 8

Museums &c.

Royal Picture Gallery. Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays 9—5. Sundays and Holidays 11—3 free entrance. Wednesdays, Saturdays 9—5 .A 0.50. Mondays 9—1 .A 1.50.

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YET ANOTHER DANCER.

MISS RUTH ST. DENIS AT THE SCALA.

(From our London correspondent.)

Our dancers, like our politics, tend to come to us through German criticism. Miss Ruth St. Denis had, I believe, met with German approval before awakening enthusiasm in London; and she forms in this respect a notable successor to Miss Maud Allan and Miss Isadora Duncan. London, at all events, is welcoming her with undiminished eagerness. She is a dancer unlike all other dancers. That is to say, she dances more with her arms than with her legs. The snake-like suggestion of Miss Maud Allan's arm movements is carried to a further pitch. In fact, the style of Miss St. Denis's dancing is altogether snake-like. She is wonderfully lithe, supple, and undulatory. Further, she confines herself to Eastern dances, beginning with those of India, which she is now presenting in five scenes. Of these, three appear to have impressed the public most vividly—"The Cobras or Snake Charmer," "The Nautch," and "The Dance of the Five Senses." In the first, Miss St. Denis, wearing large emeralds on the first and fourth fingers of each hand, appears to be a real snake-charmer with real snakes writhing and curling around her almost motionless body. In the second she is the central figure in a Rajah's palace, and dances with wonderful verve and brilliance in the emerald garment of a nautch-girl. In the third she is the awakened god in a Hindu Temple descending from his altar and showing in symbol how the truest glory is attainable only through renunciation. In these three dances Miss St. Denis is assisted by seven or eight native Indians, who add by their presence to the verisimilitude of the Indian background. The market place, the palace, the temple have all their appropriate frequenters. It is a performance of singular beauty and interest, and it will attract a number of people to the sumptuous Scala Theatre which, on account of its out-of-the-way position, is so seldom on the play-goer's regular list.

GUARDIANS OF THE WILDERNESS.

The United States Government maintains a curious little force of policemen who do not patrol posts in the cities or towns, but may well be called the guardians of the wilderness, for it is their business to look after vast forests where few human beings live. It may seem odd that it is necessary to have Nature's police to go here and there in the forests and amid the mountains, but it is very necessary in order to protect one of the great resources of America. Some of these rangers of the wild have "beats" so extensive that one man may be the sole protector of a miniature empire comprising two hundred thousand acres of primeval forest.

CULLINAN SOUVENIRS.

The small chip diamonds which have resulted from the cutting of the Cullinan diamond are in great demand by certain souvenir hunters, and it is said that twenty times its value has been offered for a chip, provided that it is authenticated as being a cutting from the Cullinan diamond. King Edward, having heard of these offers, has a French journal states, conceived the idea of turning them to the profit of charities. He has given orders for the chips to be sold (one alone is said to be worth £10,000) to the highest bidders, with a proviso that they are not to be sold to buyers in the trade.

AMERICA'S CONTRIBUTION TO EUROPE.

In *La Revue L. Chevalier* states that there are about fifteen millions of foreigners in the United States, and that the majority of them have left relatives in Europe to whom they send of their savings. It is calculated that nearly fifty millions sterling is the sum sent annually from America to Europe. Italy receives 70 million dollars, Austria 65, Great Britain 25, Russia 25, and Germany 15. Yet, if there are two million Italians in the United States, there are nearly four million Germans—which seems to prove that the Italians either have more poor relatives or that they forget them less.

CUBA'S ORANGE CROP.

One-half million crates is the estimate of this year's orange crop in Cuba—the largest in the history of the island. Until a few years ago thousands of crates of oranges were brought to Cuba from Florida and California every year, but for the last three seasons these shipments have become less, and will possibly cease entirely within another year. Orange cultivation on a scientific scale did not begin in Cuba until about eight or nine years ago, and may be considered in its infancy, but it is progressing rapidly, and even at this early stage is now in position to supply the local markets. The orange business on the island is controlled almost entirely by Americans.

RUSSIAN v. AMERICAN CAVIARE.

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YESTERDAY'S REPORTS.

"Kleist," from Hamburg for Japan, arrived Hongkong October 22nd.
 "Goeben," from Hamburg for Japan, left Genoa October 22nd.
 "Brandenburg," from Bremen for Baltimore, arrived Baltimore October 22nd.
 "Neckar," from Bremen for Baltimore, passed Borkum Riff October 22nd.
 "Bilow," from Bremen for Japan, arrived Rotterdam October 22nd.
 "Prinz Eitel Friedrich," from Japan for Bremen, left Genoa October 22nd.
 "Kronprinz Wilhelm," from Bremen for New York, left Cherbourg October 22nd.
 "Friedrich der Grosse," from New York for Bremen, left New York October 22nd.

however, several fisheries on the River Don and the Sea of Azov. At several of the fisheries large quantities of caviare are prepared, but for home production only. In 1906 caviare to the value of \$10,000 was exported to the United States from Astrakhan. Since then, however, its export has wholly ceased. The chief reasons for this are stated to be that the catch of sturgeon in the United States has been unusually abundant, and that the quality of caviare prepared in the United States has proved to be far superior to the imported article.

SKY "FINGER-POSTS."

The Mayor of Columbus, Ohio, has great foresight, and in view of the rapid development of aerial navigation, he has submitted to his colleagues of other towns a project destined for the guidance of aeroplanists. The mayor proposes to have immense sky signs on the most lofty buildings in each town of the name of the place, and he has already set up an indicator in Columbus. We may observe that the need of a suitable name for the new machine has also been discovered, and the word finding greatest acceptance is "taxiplanes."

THE INVENTOR OF THE LUCIFER MATCH.

It is not generally known that the credit for the invention of the lucifer match belongs to John Walker, a Stockton druggist. Walker's matches were placed on the market in 1827, and cost a shilling for a box of 84, so that a match was not then a thing to be used extravagantly. About ten years ago it was proposed to set up in Stockton a memorial to Walker, but nothing came of it. Perhaps people did not recognise the importance of Walker's invention.

DR. SVEN HEDIN AND SCOTLAND.

Dr. Sven Hedin, whose adventures in Western Tibet have lately attracted so much attention, has promised to address the Royal Scottish Geographical Society in Edinburgh in January, 1909, if possible, on the subject of his recent explorations. In 1897 the medal of the Society was conferred upon Dr. Sven Hedin for his scientific explorations in Central Asia, and again in 1902 the Livingstone Gold Medal was awarded to him for his important exploring and survey work in Central Asia, and he was elected an honorary member of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society.

AN OLIGOCENE SQUIRREL.

The Oligocene is one of the divisions of the ancient geological age known as the Tertiary. Recently the Oligocene rocks in the Bourbonnais, France, yielded two very interesting little fossils, one of a sparrow, the other of a squirrel, which is almost identical in all its anatomical characters with the common squirrel of the present time. So perfectly is the fossil preserved that the hairs can still be seen detaching themselves in fine lines along the back of the skeleton. The head is lacking.

CHURCH SERVICES: DRESDEN.

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 Saturday, October 24th. 10.0 a.m. Matins.
 Sunday, October 25th. 10th Sunday after Trinity. 8.0 a.m. and 12.0 m.d. Holy Communion. 11.0 a.m. Matins and Sermon. 6.0 p.m. Evensong and Litany.
 Monday, October 26th. 10.0 a.m. Matins.
 Tuesday, October 27th. 10.0 a.m. Matins.
 Wednesday, October 28th. S. Simon and S. Jude A. and M. 8.0 a.m. Holy Communion. 11.0 a.m. Matins and Litany.
 Thursday, October 29th. 10.0 a.m. Matins.
 Friday, October 30th. 11.0 a.m. Matins and Litany. 5.0 p.m. Choir Practice.
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