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THE AERIAL ERA.

But few months have elapsed since a sudden storm at Echterdingen utterly destroyed one of the most marvellous products of the human brain and hand, thereby inflicting a severe disappointment on the hopes of the German nation and the civilised world at large. The sequel to the destruction of Count Zeppelin's dirigible balloon furnished an inspiring example of patriotic enthusiasm, and one which effectually refuted the suggestion so often put forward in these days that national pride is dead. For hardly had the fateful news been flashed to every corner of the German Empire when a movement, almost unparalleled in its spontaneity, was set afoot to replenish the sadly depleted private purse of the intrepid inventor. From the returns published a few weeks after the inauguration of the Zeppelin fund it would appear that practically every citizen of the Empire had contributed his mite—in some cases a very substantial one—to the great cause, and less than a month after the disaster Count Zeppelin found himself in possession of a vast sum of money with which to continue the prosecution of his great work. That no time has been lost by the devoted band of workers at Friedrichshafen, from the Count himself down to the humblest mechanic, in retrieving the Echterdingen misfortune is proved by the remarkably successful series of trials carried out last week with the renovated airship "Zeppelin I.," in which both Prince Henry of Prussia and the Crown Prince of Germany have made trips. We gather from information to hand from the scene of the experiments that the new airship falls little short of its famous but ill-starred predecessor, so far as speed and manoeuvring capabilities are concerned. These were exhibited to their best advantage when on Saturday, the airship punctually kept an appointment with the German Emperor at Donaueschingen, and the Crown Prince, seated in the car of this wonderful craft, was enabled to cast down to his august father a message giving details of his highly interesting journey in the clouds. It was indeed a dramatic moment, and the aged nobleman who has devoted his life to the solution of an almost insurmountable problem must on Saturday have felt himself repaid in great measure for the crushing disappointment he suffered last summer when the unruly elements made rude sport of his marvellous creation.

But while the world is unanimous in offering its congratulations to Count Zeppelin on his fresh achievement, it is greatly divided in its opinions of the practicability of his system as applied to aerial navigation in general. In spite of the vast bulk and complicated construction of the Zeppelin model its lifting powers are very limited. Furthermore, the necessary sacrifice of strength made to lightness renders the airship unsuited to withstand the force of wind and storm, while the extensive surface offered to conflicting currents of air by the flimsy gas chambers is an undeniable element of weakness. These defects are, of course, a feature of every balloon, no matter on what principle it is constructed, and since there is apparently no method by which they can be eliminated, the advocates of the aeroplane continue to assert the superiority of the heavier-than-air apparatus over all other systems. The aeroplane, it is true, has numerous and solid advantages over its bulky rival, chief among which is its complete detachment from gas as a buoyant agent. It is thus to a great extent self-supporting, whereas the balloon's radius is limited to the duration of its gas capacity. All these and many other vexed questions are now being exhaustively discussed by leading scientists everywhere, and this fact is an additional indication of the universal interest which the problem of aerial navigation is arousing today. As the nineteenth century was the Golden Age of steam, so will the twentieth century be marked by vast strides made in the direction of victory over unsubstantial ether. It is interesting to recollect the prophecy of Mother Shipton of Knaresboro', made in the fifteenth century. This famous old soothsayer predicted many future wonders, including the railroad and the automobile, and even went to the extent of saying that men would eventually "fly like birds." With some slight modifications even this last prophecy may be said to have come true, as witness the exploits of the Wright brothers, Farman, Delagrangé, and others. We still believe the time to be far distant when ocean liners will be



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superseded by the swiftly swooping aeroplane or the majestic, gliding dirigible balloon, but that the development of aerial craft is only in its infancy is as undeniable as the prospect that we are standing at the threshold of epoch-making achievements in this important branch of practical science.

GENERAL NEWS.

NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

FAMOUS ELECTRICAL ENGINEER DEAD.

London, November 8. Professor William Edward Ayrton, the distinguished electrical engineer, died today. He entered the Indian Telegraph Service in 1867; was Professor of Natural Philosophy and Telegraphy in the Imperial College of Engineering from 1873; Professor of Electrical Engineering at the Central Technical College, South Kensington since 1884; President of the Physical Society 1891-92; President of the Institution of Electrical Engineers 1892; Dean of Central Technical College 1904.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF A HIGH INDIAN OFFICIAL.

Calcutta, November 8. Sir A. H. Leith Fraser, the Lieutenant Governor of Bengal, narrowly escaped death at the hands of an assassin yesterday evening. While he was reading a newspaper a young Bengali suddenly approached him, held a revolver to his chest, and pulled the trigger twice. Both cartridges missed fire, and the man was seized before he could fire a third shot. While this was happening, a number of Bengalees who were standing near the spot ran off. It is supposed that they were accomplices.

BRITISH VICTORY IN THE SOUDAN.

Cairo, November 8. A detachment of British Troops which was sent under the command of a Major against some insurgent tribes in the South of Kordofan, came up with the hostile force on the 3rd instant and stormed their position on Passu Hill, capturing a number of chiefs. The British loss was one officer and two men killed, and twenty-four wounded.

BRITAIN'S SIXTH "DREADNOUGHT" LAUNCHED.

London, November 8. The sixth battleship of the "Dreadnought" type was successfully launched at Devonport yesterday

and received the name of "Collingwood" at the hands of Mrs. Asquith, wife of the Prime Minister.

The launching tools—hammer and chisel—were presented to Mrs. Asquith in an oak casket made from the wood of one of the men-of-war which took part in the battle of Trafalgar. Inside the lid of the box is a water-colour drawing of the "Collingwood" as she will appear when afloat. Outside the carved panels show the old ship of this name, launched 26 years ago, and now on the sale list, and the new one, forming an effective contrast, as well as an illustration of the progress which has since been made.

The following details of the new battleship are officially supplied, and for the purpose of showing the great progress which has been made in the design of warships during the last twenty years, corresponding particulars are given of the second ship named "Collingwood", built at Pembroke Dock, and now lying in the East Kyle of Bute, for sale:—

	"Collingwood," 1908.	"Collingwood," 1886.
Displacement	19,366 tons	9,500 tons
Length, extreme	536ft.	347ft.
Breadth	84ft.	68ft.
Depth in hold	43ft.	40ft.
Draught	27ft.	26ft.
S.H.P.	24,500	7,000-i. h. p.
Speed	21 knts.	16.5 knts.
Complement (officers and men) about	800	455

NEWS FROM AMERICA.

THE CHINESE MISSION.

New York press reports state that the Chinese Legation at Washington has confirmed the cabled announcement in the *Herald* that the Special Mission to America, headed by Tong-Shao-Yi, sailed from Tokio on Thursday for San Francisco. He is attended by an imposing suite, and comes to America with the reported prestige of having settled with the Japanese Government a number of difficult outstanding questions.

Attempts are being made to show that Tong's Mission includes the task of negotiating some sort of an alliance between the United States and China, but this is denied in the best informed quarters. His duty primarily is to thank the United States Government for its generous action in foregoing a large part of the Boxer indemnity. He will afterwards visit the chief cities of the Union, and will then proceed to London.

By a curious coincidence the announcement of the mission's departure from Tokio appeared in the New York newspapers on Friday cheek by jowl with an authoritative denial from Washington of current reports as to an intention on the part of the Administration to modify the law as to the exclusion of Asiatics. It is declared that there is no idea either of modifying the law or of lessening the stringency of the immigration regulations.

President Roosevelt has no desire to arouse the hostility of organised labour during the remaining months of his term at the White House, and Mr. Taft may be trusted not to court such trouble until, at any rate, he has had time to get accustomed to the cares and responsibilities of the Presidency.

PROSPERITY WAVE PREDICTED.

New York, November 7. The returns from Maryland are known. Of its eight electoral votes the State has given six to Mr. Bryan, and two to Mr. Taft, with the result that the new President must be credited with 321 votes, as against his opponent's 162.

The National Association of Manufacturers predicts that before January work will have been found for some 500,000 unemployed, as the result of the "prosperity wave."

It is stated that Mr. William Loeb' Mr. Roosevelt's secretary, is likely to be the new Naval Secretary.

4,000 FLEET OF FLAME.

New York, November 8. According to telegrams published here, the volcano of Villarisa, in Chile, is in active eruption, and presents an awe-inspiring spectacle. Flames are being ejected from the crater to a height of 4,000 feet.

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BERLIN

Madame Kirkby-Lunn, of London, gave a song recital on Thursday evening at the Singakademie. With her beautifully trained and powerful contralto voice, Madame Kirkby-Lunn charmed her audience from beginning to end, the artistic and sympathetic accompaniments of Mr. Percy Pitt, director of Covent Garden, adding not a little to the enjoyment of the evening. The programme included French, Italian, and German songs, which the artist rendered with great feeling. Weckerlin's "Maman dites-moi," "Der Freund," by Wolf, and "Die Quelle" by Goldmark, had to be repeated.

Miss Elsie Playfair, the Australian violinist, gained another success on Thursday night at the Beethoven Saal, where she played together with the Philharmonic Orchestra under the direction of Dr. Ernst Kunwald. She certainly lived up to her reputation, and her wonderful technique and fascinating art were shown in the brilliant rendering of Mozart's Concerto in D, Bruch's "Schwedische Tänze," and "In memoriam." At the end of her programme the artist was recalled until she gave as an encore a very sweet and poetic melody, accompanied by Herr Bruno Weyersberg.

All three concerts were well patronized by members of the English and American colonies.

Miss Playfair began her musical studies with Monsieur Lefort at the Paris Conservatoire, where in 1902 she was awarded the first prize. Later she continued her studies with Hugo Heermann in Frankfurt and with Professor Sevcik. The young artist made her debut at the age of nine in Lausanne and Montreux. On Friday Miss Playfair will play in Anklam, and continue from there her tour through Holland and France.

The formal introduction of Professor Penck, the Emperor William Exchange Professor at Columbia University, New York, took place last Thursday afternoon in the presence of a large and distinguished assembly. Professor Penck, in an English speech, compared geographical and ethnological differences between North America and Europe. The lecture was received with great applause.

Mrs. Putnam-Griswold, of Landshuter Strasse 17, gave a small supper party on Thursday night in honour of Madame Kirkby-Lunn of London and Mr. Percy Pitt, Director of Covent Garden. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Spanuth, Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Rodkinson and Mr. Elmer Roberts.

The same evening Mr. Putnam-Griswold from the Royal Opera of Berlin sang with the Philharmonic Orchestra in the Gewandhaus in Leipzig. His programme included: "Flore and Planchefleur" by W. Stenhammer, with full orchestra; "Die Fussreise," "Der Freund" and "Verborgtheit" by Hugo Wolf.

The engagement is announced of Mr. John Wort-Garret, of Baltimore, former second secretary at the American Embassy in Berlin, to Miss Alice Warder, of Washington.

Owing to a Halloween party taking place last Saturday the American Woman's Club was obliged to postpone the usual musical entertainment until Saturday November 14, when Mrs. Brandenburg, wife of Professor Brandenburg, Dr. phil. of the Handels-Hochschule, will be the hostess. The programme will include songs by Miss Eleanor Reynolds. Herr Bronsgeest from the Berlin Royal Opera, also promised to contribute several songs. Mrs. Brandenburg, a well-known pianist, will play selections from de Bussey and Chopin.

The Afternoon Service on Sunday at the American Church was conducted by Mr. F. B. Oxtoby.

The regular Sunday afternoon meetings of the G.F.S. at the charming and costly fitted rooms in Genthiner Strasse 13, have been well attended lately by members and their friends. On All Saints'

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Day an address was given on the origin of the Society and its work, and a letter of welcome was read from the Diocesan President, Lady Vincent. Several people interested in the Society sent useful presents, among them books and magazines for the as yet very small library, gifts which have been much appreciated by the members.

Joan Manen, the well-known violinist, delighted a large audience on Friday night at the Blüthner-Saal with a perfect interpretation of Mozart's Concerto in D, the Andante of which especially held the people in rapt attention. The artist shows a strong individuality in his play, as well as deep artistic feeling. In Paganini's "Moses" and in his own variations over Tartini's "Ein Thema" his technic was brilliant. Unfortunately the programme suffered greatly by the inclusion of d'Albert's Concerto in H, for orchestra and piano, as this work showed a lack of technical force and ability on the part of the pianist, Miss Margarethe Eussert, and the orchestra.

Baroness Maltzahn (Ada von Gersdorff) is slowly recovering from the bad fall she experienced the other day at Potsdamer Platz. Many friends called during last week to enquire after her health, and the Baroness received numerous telegrams and letters from all parts of Germany and America.

Miss McLean, who has been in Berlin for the last three years studying singing, left on Monday for Paris, where she will continue her vocal studies with King Clarke.

Miss Kate Haydn, who spent last winter in Berlin, has gone to Goettingen to follow the lectures at the University.

Mr. Joseph Dunpace has also left Berlin for Goettingen where he will work during the winter semester at the Chemical Laboratory of the University.

Quite a number of Americans have left Berlin to join the colony in Goettingen during the winter season, among them being Mrs. May and her two daughters, Professor Phillips, of the Phillips-Andover Seminary, and Mrs. Phillips.

The weekly meeting of the Anglo-American Medical Association last Saturday was remarkably well attended, when Geheimrat Dr. Ewald delivered the lecture.

Miss Jeanette Perkins, Ph. D., (Heidelberg) of Kleist Str. 26, gave a tea party the other day in honour of Mrs. Peck from Chicago.

Mrs. Colton, originally from Chicago and a former resident of Berlin, who has been spending a few weeks here, visiting her friends, has returned to her home in Paris, rue Spontini 64.

Mrs. Neena Hamilton Pringsheim, Ph. D. (Heidelberg), whose work we commented on in our issue of October 17, begins her series of lectures on "Early Art in Italy" today at the American Woman's Club, Muenchner Str. 49. The series comprises ten illustrated lectures, which will take place on Tuesdays from 11-12.

The terms are, for Club-members, M. 10, non-members M. 15, and single tickets M. 2.

The programme is as follows:—

November 10. The Awakening of Art.
November 17. Early Christian Art. The Catacombs and Basilica.
November 24. Byzantine Art. Mosaics.
December 1. Romanesque Art. San Marco.
December 8. Pisa and the Pisan.
December 15. Italian Gothic.
January 12. St. Francis of Assisi.
January 19. Cimabue. Giotto di Bondone.
January 26. The Arena Chapel.
February 1. The new Art of Figure-Painting.

Notwithstanding the rheumatic affection from which she has recently been suffering, Mme. Kirsinger, of Kur-

fuerstendamm, was "At Home" on Saturday afternoon to about one hundred guests. The gathering was as usual of a conspicuously international character, and Mme. Kirsinger, always a particularly charming hostess, was conversing with her guests in innumerable different languages. Prominent among those present were the wife and daughter of the Chinese Ambassador, looking quaint and picturesque. Both listened attentively throughout to the excellent music which was the feature of the afternoon.

The programme was devoted to the works of M. Desire Paques, a Belgian composer, himself present as a guest of honour. Besides cooperating with Herren Schuch and Persinger in the rendering of two of his own compositions (Sonata for violin and piano, and Trio for viola, cello and piano), M. Paques afterwards gave a splendid exhibition of his pianistic powers in several solos.

Mrs. William Irvin was hostess at the American Church on Sunday afternoon, at the social gathering following the service for young people. Rev. and Mrs. William Irvin are residing at Landshuter Str. 32.

A telegram from Vienna states that Sir Edward Goschen left that capital on Saturday evening to take up his ambassadorial duties at Berlin.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVES.

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BERLIN CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

This evening:	
Royal Opera House	Cavalleria rusticana. Bajazzo .. at 7.30
Royal Schauspielhaus	Wilhelm Tell .. 7.30
New Royal Opera House	Paraphagen-Schuster .. 7.30
Deutsches Theater	King Lear .. 8
"	(Kammerspiele) Eine Heirat-geschichte .. 8
Lessing Theatre	Michael Kramer .. 7.30
Berliner Theatre	Der Weichenfresser .. 8
New Theatre	Wahrheit .. 8
New Schauspielhaus	Faust. I. Teil .. 8
Kleines Theatre	Lady Frederik .. 8
Comic Opera	Pelleas und Melisand .. 8
Residenz Theatre	Kuennere dich um Amelie .. 8
Hebbel Theatre	Der Liebhaber .. 8
Trianon Theatre	Die Liebe wacht .. 8
Lustspielhaus	Die Tuer ins Freie .. 8
Schiller Theatre O.	Kabale und Liebe .. 8
" Charlotten-burg	Die Braut von Messina .. 8
Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre	Wilhelm Tell .. 8
Luisen Theatre	Eine tolle Nacht .. 8
Bernhard Rose Theatre	Herr Paraphagen .. 8.15
Thalia Theatre	Bruder Straubinger (Girardi) .. 8
Apollo Theatre	Eine lustige Spreewaldfahrt .. 8
Theatre des Westens	Der fidele Bauer .. 8
Buergerl.Schauspielhaus	Don Carlos .. 8.15
Urania Theatre	Der Montblanc .. 8
Casino Theatre	Die Dianabaeder .. 8

Every evening until further notice.	
Metropol Theatre	Donnerwetter — tadello .. at 8
New Schauspielhaus	Julius Caesar .. 8
New Operetta Theatre	Die Dollarprinzessin .. 8
Wintergarten	Spezialtaeten .. 8
Gedr. Herrenfeld Theatre	Die beiden Bindebände .. 8
Berl. Operettenbuehne	Havana .. 8.30
Passage Theatre	Spezialtaeten .. 8
Walhalla Theatre	Spezialtaeten .. 8
Folies Caprice	Die Brautschau. Die lustige Witwe .. 8
Carl Haverland Theatre	Spezialtaeten .. 8
Parodie Theatre	Der Raub der Sabinerinnen.—Die Zauberloete.—Berlin steht Kopf .. 8
Apollo Theatre	Eine lustige Spreewaldfahrt .. 8
Hebbel Theatre	Der Liebhaber .. 8
Trianon Theatre	Die Liebe wacht .. 8

GENERAL NEWS.

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THE NEW GERMAN AMBASSADOR AT WASHINGTON.

Yesterday's edition of the *Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* contained the announcement that Count v. Bernstorff, at present German Consul-General in Egypt, has been appointed successor to the late Baron Speck v. Sternburg at the Washington Embassy.

Herr Bünz, present Consul-General in New York, has been transferred to the Consulate-General in Mexico.

POSTMASTER OF NEW YORK SHOT.

New York, November 9.
Mr. Edward Morgan, Postmaster of New York, was walking along the street today when he was approached by a well-dressed man who fired at him with a revolver, inflicting severe wounds. The assassin then turned the weapon on himself, and fell dead beside his victim.

NEW YORK'S TRIBUTE TO CRIMINALS.

(From our own correspondent.)

New York city pays an enormous annual tribute to thieves and burglars. Statistics prove that about 55,000 burglaries and robberies are committed in New York in the course of a year, and that the value of the property stolen amounts to nearly sixteen million dollars. The number of people arrested by the police on charges of larceny or house-breaking seems small in proportion, being only 1,764 on the average in a year, and of those only 420 are convicted. The value of stolen property recovered amounts to only seven per cent. of the total loss. The very large number of robberies and burglaries is attributed to the want of employment prevailing.

THE TOBACCO TRUST INDICTED.

New York, November 7.

The Supreme Court of the United States decided today in favour of the view of the Government that the American Tobacco Company is to be regarded as a Trust and that its proceedings are a restraint on

commerce and a violation of the Sherman anti-Trust law. One of the members of the Court expressed the opinion that the appointment of an official receiver, which was asked for, was impracticable and unnecessary. The suits against the Imperial Tobacco Company and the British American Tobacco Company were dismissed.

THE TARIFF REFORM QUESTION.

Washington, November 7.

Mr. Payne, the Chairman of the Tariff Committee, had a long conference with President Roosevelt today and stated afterwards that tariff reform will be discussed in a special Session of Congress which will begin on the 15th of March next year.

DEATH OF VICTORIEN SARDOU.

Paris, November 8.

The famous dramatist Victorien Sardou died early this morning. He was born in 1831, and had long been a Member of the French Academy.

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DRESDEN

The Bachmann Trio—Herren Bachmann, Baertich, and Stenz—inaugurated their series of chamber music concerts for this winter by a performance at the Neustaedter Casino on Saturday evening. The programme contained nothing new, and that was no disadvantage inasmuch as the rich literature of chamber music contains an abundance of works that may be regarded as landmarks. To invite people to dreamy contemplation of such landmarks is meritorious; to make choice of them is necessary in the hurry and worry of a flood of concerts, and where can such choice be better made than in the fertile fields of Beethoven, Schumann, and Brahms.

It was a fetid-day that the Bachmann Trio prepared for the audience on Saturday. The platform was tastefully decorated with dark-green shrubs, and the light, toned down in harmony with the foliage, left the hearer free to enjoy the music undisturbed by glare. One did not feel himself to be in a concert hall, but in some holy place inviting devotion; and in that holy place incense was offered to the tone heroes.

Perhaps the gentlemen on the platform were not yet quite at home in their sacred office. Herr Bachmann's fine execution on the Bluetner instrument was a little too prominent in Schumann's triumphant quartet in E-flat op. 47, and rather overpowered the tone of the strings. But Beethoven's wildly mournful trio in C-minor—the composer's op. 1 with which, at the age of 25, he created a sensation and took a long step in advance of Mozart—was heard in perfect beauty and unity. Brahms' Gminor quartet, which, subdued at first in tone, rises to wild spirits at the end, showed, as the trio had done, that the performers are masters in the difficult art of chamber music, and the loud applause they gained was fully deserved. It would have been better if that applause had been reserved until the end of each piece.

There was hardly a vacant place in the hall. Herr Rokohl, well-known from his performances with the former Lewinger Quartet, played the viola part in the Schumann and Brahms work.

M. N.

MUSIC AND ART NOTICES.

At the Central Theatre the variety programme, with the pantomime "Susanna im Bade" and the operetta "Die suesssen Grisetten" will be performed every evening until Saturday next inclusive, at 8 o'clock.

On and after Sunday the 15th instaut the evening performances will begin at 7.30 instead of at 8 o'clock, and there will be a change in the programme; "Mitislaw der Moderne," a one-act operetta by F. Gruenbaum and R. Bodansky, music by Franz Lehar, being substituted for the pantomime. On Tuesday evening the 17th instant, the day before Busstag, the folk-drama "Der Pfarrer von Kirchfeld" will be given.

Today, Tuesday, Miss Watson will give her first lecture in the gallery, on the Italian pictures of the 15th century, meeting in the rotunda at 11.30 punctually.

Tomorrow, Wednesday, at the same hour, in her rooms at Gutzkow Strasse 33, II, Miss Watson will give the first of her lectures on that group of modern artists known as the Impressionists, taking as her theme Edouard Manet, the pioneer in this new field. The history of the movement, the origin of the name, the merits and faults of the much discussed and censured School, its aims and its methods, will be duly stated and considered. The lecture will be illustrated by prints and photographs.

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"WELL, WELL!"

Our readers may recollect that last winter we mentioned a meeting of the *Dresdner Gesellschaft fuer neuere Philologie*, at which Dr. Robert Grimshaw read a witty paper on "Americanisms." In the course of his remarks the Doctor triumphantly justified the use of "Well!" as an interjectory exclamation, and proved to his own and the audience's satisfaction that far from this word and the sense in which it is currently used being a distinctly American creation, it is, as a matter of fact, genuine old English, frequently to be found in the writings of Shakespeare.

The above remarks are explanatory of the following communication:—

"According to the *Mail* of November 5, the solicitor who served Mr. Asquith with a subpoena commenced his statement with 'Well, Sir!' and the Prime Minister, after replying, got a second phrase commencing with 'Well,' and made a second reply, 'Well, etc.' Are Mr. Asquith and the solicitor Americans? Or are they just using the English of Shakespeare's time? R. G."

DRESDEN CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

Royal Opera House.

Tonight, beginning at 7.30, ending 10.30

Eugen Onegin.

Lyric scenes in 3 acts (7 pictures). Words by Puschkin. Music by P. Tschaiakowsky.

Cast:

Larina, a landowner	.....	Frau Bender-Schaefer.
Tajana, } her daughters	.....	(Frl. v. d. Osten.
Olga	.....	(Frl. Tervani.
Filipjewna, a nurse	.....	Frl. v. Chavanne.
Eugen Onegin	.....	Herr Perron.
Lenski	.....	Herr Sembach.
Prince Gremin	.....	Herr Rains.
A Captain	.....	Herr Trede.
Saretzki	.....	Herr Nebuschka.
Triquet, a Frenchman	.....	Herr Ruediger.
Guillot, valet	.....	Herr Buessel.

PLOT. In the opening scene the mother of two young girls, Tajana and Olga, recalls in conversation with her nurse the days of her youthful love, and concludes that although she married a man other than her choice, she had nevertheless a happy life. From the progress of the opera it would appear that her history is to be repeated in the case of her daughters. Olga is in love with Lenski, who introduces his friend Eugen Onegin, to whom Tajana immediately becomes passionately attached. After a struggle with her pride, Tajana writes a letter to Onegin declaring her passion, in reply to which he offers her a brother's love. His attitude towards Olga, however, excites the jealousy of Lenski. A duel is arranged between them, in which Onegin shoots Lenski dead. Remorse at having killed his best friend drives him forth into the world to wander for twenty-six years. He finally returns to St. Petersburg, where at a grand Court function he meets the Princess Gremin, in whom he recognises Tajana. Her love for him revives, but she resists his overtures and remains true to her marriage vow.

Composer: Tschaiakowsky, born 1840, died 1893.

Wednesday night	.....	Der Freischuetz	.....	at 7.30
Thursday night	.....	Figaros Hochzeit	.....	" 7
Friday night	.....	Tristan und Isolde	.....	" 6
Saturday night	.....	Tiefland	.....	" 7.30
Sunday night	Der Rattenlaenger von Hameln	" 7.30
Monday night	Der fliegende Hollaender	" 7.30

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Tonight	Torquato Tasso	at 7.30
Wednesday night	Der Strom	" 7.30
Thursday night	Thummelumsen	" 7.30
Friday night	Der Erboerster	" 7
Saturday night	Thummelumsen	" 7.30
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GENERAL NEWS.

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THE ZEPPELIN AIRSHIP.

Friedrichshafen, November 8.

Count Zeppelin and Professor Hergesell returned here this evening from Donaueschingen, whither they had been summoned to an audience with the Kaiser. It is reported that his Majesty's reception of the Count was of a very cordial character. His Majesty expressed his admiration of the airship's performance yesterday which, in his Majesty's opinion, must make the value of the rigid system clear to every one. The Kaiser expressed himself specially pleased by the punctuality with which Count Zeppelin had carried out his plan. Exactly at two o'clock, as had been intended, the airship arrived on the spot. It had been a very great pleasure to him to see his son in the gondola of the ship as it sailed majestically past. After the audience, during which great honour was paid to Count Zeppelin,

the Kaiser was photographed with him on the terrace of the castle. The weather has changed for the worse.

KING MANUEL OF PORTUGAL.

Oporto, November 8.

King Manuel, who left Lisbon early this morning, arrived here this afternoon and was enthusiastically cheered by the people. His Majesty intends, after leaving Oporto, to visit several of the towns in the North of the country before returning to the capital.

SERVIAN CROWN PRINCE RETURNS FROM RUSSIA.

Belgrade, November 8.

All sorts and conditions of men yesterday went to meet the Crown Prince of Servia, now the popular idol, on his return from St. Petersburg. When His Royal Highness arrived, shortly before noon, by special train, over 30,000 people lined the streets along the route from the station to the palace. On the station platform a

guard of honour was mounted, and there was a distinguished assemblage awaiting the Prince, comprising the members of the Skuptschina, and the whole staff of the Russian Legation.

Outside the station the Mayor and Municipal Council welcomed the Crown Prince, and the Mayor delivered a long address, to which the Prince replied in a brief but effective speech, declaring that his visit to Russia had been a great success, and addressing words of encouragement to the people. The crowd frantically cheered the remarks of His Royal Highness.

Belgrade has rarely seen such enthusiasm, and the Prince's reception was only the first of similar demonstrations which were made in the course of the day.

WEATHER FORECAST FOR TODAY of the Royal Saxon Meteorological Institute.

Fresh Northerly winds, changeable skies, no heavy showers, slow rise in the temperature.

BRITISH TRADE FOR OCTOBER. STEADY DECLINE MAINTAINED.

London, November 7.

The Board of Trade returns for October and the last ten months, published this afternoon, continue the story of industrial depression which, starting as far back as December last, has never once been relieved by a favourable report. Yet again, moreover, the figures must be taken at almost their maximum adverse value, for the decrease in imports is almost wholly made up of raw materials, and the diminution in exports almost entirely of manufactured articles. The figures for October this year, as compared with October, 1907, are:—

	Imports.	Exports.
October, 1908	£50,748,980	£33,007,586
October, 1907	57,660,158	38,319,520
Decreases	6,911,178	5,311,934

The total decreases for the past ten months are:—Imports, £46,258,714; exports, £38,930,096. Some idea of the amount lost in wages may be gathered from the fact that out of the second of these figures the decrease in manufactured articles was, in round figures, £36,000,000. At the same time the diminution in imported manufactures was only £10,000,000.

Out of the decreases in the imports for October, £3,243,289 represents raw materials, and £1,363,639 manufactures, the balance, of course, being made up of food, drink, and tobacco. The main decreases under the head of raw materials were:—

Iron Ore	£161,275
Wood and Timber	601,505
Cotton	1,144,353
Wool	292,054
Other textile material	327,026
Hides and undressed skins	248,260
Miscellaneous	377,036

The million decrease in British imports of manufactured articles was well distributed, but there were increases under the following heads:—Iron and steel and their manufactures, £11,025; electrical goods and apparatus, £6,759; manufactures of wood and timber, £8,565; leather and its manufactures (excluding boots and shoes), £12,316.

Turning to British exports it is found that nearly the whole of the five millions decrease was composed of manufactured articles. The diminution under this head was £4,705,465, while the falling-off in sales of raw materials amounted to £488,210. With the exception of a small increase in new ships, there was a decrease in every branch of manufactured exports. Some of the most notable of these decreases were:—

Iron and steel and manufactures	£918,641
Cutlery, etc.	115,476
Electrical goods	367,991
Machinery	168,099
Yarns and textiles	3,084,097
Miscellaneous	207,650

It will be seen from these figures that, as stated above, an analysis of the returns reveals a more disquieting state of affairs than even the totals themselves show.

THE BOER WAR.

WHY EUROPE DID NOT INTERVENE.

London, November 9.

The *Volkstem*, of Pretoria, for the purpose of removing all doubt whether the Transvaal expected European intervention at the time of the South African War, publishes (says *Reuter*) a series of cablegrams received before the outbreak of hostilities from Dr. Leyds, then representing the Republic in Europe.

Dr. Leyds reported an unfavourable interview with the French Minister for Foreign Affairs, while the German Foreign Minister avowed the friendship of Germany for the Transvaal, but added that Germany could offer no help in the event of war, as Great Britain was mistress of the seas. He expressed the hope that the Transvaal would make every concession possible, consistent with its self-respect.

The Republican Government then informed Dr. Leyds of the receipt of the request from the Witwatersrand Franchise Commission, which it regarded as unfriendly, and asked him to ascertain further the attitude of France and Germany in the event of war. Dr. Leyds replied that they were sympathetic, but would give no practical help.

A subsequent cablegram was more emphatic, saying: "Expect nothing from the great Powers. Friends in England urgently request you to avoid creating a *casus belli*." Then came the following: "Hopeless to expect help, though there is a chance of Russia intervening."

A despatch sent on September 27, 1899, advised the sending of the ultimatum of October 9, 1899, to be followed by an attack before England was ready, as such firmness, Dr. Leyds thought, would have an excellent effect.

At the beginning of September, 1899, Dr. Leyds informed the Transvaal that the Czar was most interested, and that he hoped that His Majesty was preparing to make difficulties. Finally, he telegraphed: "Europe is greatly against England; all wonder why the Transvaal is losing time."

ANOTHER ROYAL ITALIAN EXPLORER.

Much interest has been aroused in the Italian capital by the report that Prince Victor Emanuel of Aosta, Count of Turin, brother of the more famous Duke of the Abruzzi, is about to turn explorer. It has been affirmed and denied

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in all the papers, but the consensus of opinion seems to be that he is really going. These days of peace are conducive to discontent in the breasts of Royal Princes, if they have little or no chance of ascending thrones.

The Count of Turin is now thirty-eight years old, and is known merely as a devoted soldier, but should there be a war, even that career would probably be closed to him as Italian Generals object strenuously to having the responsibility of Royal princes in the field. At the time of the war with Abyssinia the Count applied to go, and although he had King Humbert's backing he was refused.

The Duke of the Abruzzi has put all his large experience of exploration at his brother's disposal, but all the same discouraged the design, as, curiously enough, the Count did before, when the Duke went to the "Ruwenzori" in Africa. It has been suggested that probably he and President Roosevelt will meet in the wilds, although the aim of one is exploration and that of the other big game.

The Count is held to be an impenitent bachelor, and thus he considers himself, for he made a bet with one of the King's Aides that in ten years he would not be married, the stakes being, on his side, a signed photograph of his bride, and on the Aide's a box of Turkish cigarettes. The bet was made five years ago, so there are only five more before the Aide (the betting is against him) will have to pay up.

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Saturday, November 14th. 10.0 a.m. Matins.
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YESTERDAY'S REPORTS.

"Derfflinger," from Hamburg for Japan, arrived Antwerp Nov. 6th.
"Rhein," from Bremen for Baltimore, passed Lizard November 7th.
"Grosser Kurfuerst," from New York for Bremen, arrived Bremerhaven November 8th.
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"Luetzow," from Japan for Hamburg, left Algier November 7th.
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"Roon," from Bremen for Australia, left Genoa November 8th.
"Kronprinz Wilhelm," from New York for Bremen, passed Scilly November 9th.
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