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## THE NEWS FROM CHINA.

There are unmistakable symptoms that Europe will shortly find itself confronted with a revival of the perennial Far Eastern problem, which on so many previous occasions has exercised the minds of statesmen and publicists. At the time of writing there is no authentic news as to the successor of the late Emperor of China, whose death, long anticipated, has taken place at a moment when his terrible, but none the less capable, mother is also on the brink of the grave, if the latest reports from the Chinese capital are worthy of credence. It is true that the late Emperor's nephew is regarded as the heir-apparent, but the situation is liable to drastic changes if the Dowager-Empress actually dies, since it was only through her untiring advocacy that her son was nominated as heir to the Imperial Throne. Even as we write comes the report of this remarkable woman's death, a presumable fact that enables us to discuss the subject under consideration with added certainty. For many years there has been in existence in the Celestial Empire a faction strongly opposed to the arbitrary sway of the late Dowager-Empress, and whose aim it is to overthrow her widespread schemes for the glorification of her own near relations. The members of this party have frequently been the subjects of frightful persecution at the hands of the woman who ruled the Forbidden City with an iron hand. She was, as is well-known, an implacable enemy of Europeans and European innovations, and her name will doubtless go down to Chinese posterity as the most virulent supporter of the "China for the Chinese" doctrine. The carefully engineered campaign against Europeans which culminated in the historic Boxer rebellion and the siege of the Peking Legations originally emanated from the Empress's Palace clique, who sustained a corresponding loss of prestige when the victorious Allies entered the Forbidden City a few years ago and exacted a pledge from the Chinese Government that henceforth European life and property would be accorded adequate protection. That incident was the terrible old Amazon's first experience of Occidental power, and it was one which she never forgot. It might be supposed that her death would effectually put an end to the smouldering hatred of the white residents which occasionally bursts into flame in remote Chinese districts, entailing the massacre of a few devoted missionaries and venturesome traders, who are well aware that they carry their lives in their hands from day to day.

The pressing danger of the moment is to be found in the possibility of the Palace clique organising another extensive anti-European crusade in order to fix their waning prestige, which is almost annihilated by the death of their energetic mistress, more firmly on popular foundations. That the authorities are alive to this by no means improbable eventuality is evidenced by telegrams just to hand from Peking, to the effect that the foreign Legations are guarded by strong detachments of reliable troops. The British Legation guard has been reinforced by fifty men drawn from the Tientsin garrison. So far no symptoms of disturbance are visible among the masses, who are said to be deeply impressed at the news of the Dowager-Empress's decease. A period of mourning extending over three years has been officially proclaimed, and the ancient mourning ceremonies will be strictly observed in the chamber where the Empress lies dead. She died, we learn from our despatches, solitary and unattended, breathing her last without hearing one sympathetic voice. It is currently reported in the capital that her death was hastened by the sight of her son suffering frightful agonies on his death-bed, and this report lends additional colour to the belief that throughout her stormy career the Empress retained a passionate devotion to her ailing son. It is true that at times she demonstrated this deep affection in curious ways, closely incarcerating the unfortunate puppet Emperor within the confined limits of his seraglio, and denying him all intercourse with the world beyond the Palace walls. But Oriental methods cannot justly be judged from an exclusively Occidental standpoint. This strange woman's existence was apparently devoted to a struggle between her innate love of power and her affection for her son, who we can well believe had substantial reason to deplore his mother's fierce devotion. His reputed leanings towards a broader sphere of life were re-



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morselessly subjugated to his parent's iron will; he died in the prime of his manhood, perhaps the most pathetic spectacle of impotent sovereignty in recent history. The next few days may be expected to be fruitful in developments of intense interest to the outer world, and especially to those Europeans and Americans who from personal reasons are awaiting a demonstration of the popular Chinese attitude towards the whitefaced strangers in the Celestial Empire.

## GENERAL NEWS.

### NEWS FROM AMERICA.

#### THE PRESIDENT AND THE "OUTLOOK."

New York, November 15. The financial world is greatly amused at the news, which appears quite authentic, that Mr. James Stillman, one of the leaders of the Standard Oil Trust, controls the Outlook magazine (New York), of which the President will become editor on the expiration of his term of office. Thus Mr. Roosevelt will indirectly become an employé of the Trust, or so his enemies maintain.

#### MR. TAFT AND THE TARIFF.

Washington, November 16. Mr. Taft has announced his intention to summon a special session of Congress as soon as practicable after his accession to office, for the purpose of revising the tariff.

#### TERRIBLE OCCURRENCE IN THE WEST.

New York, November 16. A telegram from Okmulgee in Oklahoma runs: "When the Sheriff went with his men on Saturday to arrest a negro charged with having attacked a tribe of Indians, the negro barricaded himself in his house and fired on the Sheriff's party, killing the Sheriff and six of his men, among whom were some negroes. The negro in the house then set it on fire and perished in the flames."

#### STANDARD OIL TRUST EXTENSION.

New York, November 15. It has just been discovered that the Standard Oil Trust has commenced the construction of immense works at Elizabeth, New Jersey, which will give employment to ten thousand work-people. The total area covered by the plant will be 2,000 acres. The preliminary negotiations and the buying of the land have been kept a strict secret.

## THE ELECTIONS IN CUBA.

Havana, November 15.

The Presidential elections terminated today with victory for the Liberals. General José Miguel Gomez was elected President, and Dr. Alfredo Zayas Vice-President of Cuba.

The Cuban elections just concluded with the above results were watched with sympathetic interest by all the American friends of the Island Republic, which owes its liberty and autonomy to the intervention of the United States. The elections, it is interesting to note, took place under a new electoral law, the provisions of which include universal suffrage, and most of the American newspapers express the opinion that the Cubans have just undergone a supreme test as to their capacity for self-government. In some quarters, however, this is regarded as going too far. It is pointed out that the Cubans have long been competent to govern themselves in their own fashion, that is to say in the fashion of the average Spanish Republics. The actual test was whether the Cuban minority, Liberal or Conservative, would accept, without resistance, the will of the majority of the people, as expressed at the polls on Saturday. People who have had experience in Cuba incline to the opinion that they will do so. There is not the least excuse that the elections were not conducted with the most scrupulous fairness, as they were supervised by carefully selected officials, who in turn were looked after by United States officers. The candidates were General Menocal, the Conservative nominee, who claimed to represent law and order and generally all who have material interest in settled and sound government, and General Gomez, the champion of the Liberal party, which includes in its ranks all the dissatisfied sections of the people, the ultra-patriots, and the illiterate masses. It was generally believed that while Havana itself might go Liberal, the success of the Conservatives was practically assured. The result has proved otherwise, and official circles at Washington are now asking whether this unlooked-for development will exercise influence on the Government's plan for withdrawing the American troops from the island early in the New Year. If with the inauguration of General Gomez in January the expected disturbances break out, the American military occupation may have to be indefinitely prolonged.

#### THE ATLANTIC FLEET'S CRUISE.

It is reported from Washington that the Battleship Fleet will not reach home waters after its voyage round the world until the middle of March, instead of early in February, as originally arranged. It is believed that the change in the itinerary has been made in order that the great review of the fleet shall be made in Hampton Roads by President Taft instead of by the out-going President. It is thought that so memorable a performance as that made by this splendid fleet should be recognised and emphasised by the new chief of the Republic at the commencement of his official career, and Mr. Roosevelt cordially agrees. It is an open secret that the American Navy Department is more than satisfied with the results of the great voyage from the technical and strictly professional point of view, while the State Department is gratified at the political effect produced.

Among other things it is understood that extremely valuable data respecting wireless telegraphy have been collected by the officers in command of the battleships, and that some marvellous achievements in regard to signalling have been made. It is probably in this connection that the Navy Department has decided upon a great wireless installation at Washington, with a radius of 3,000 miles. The Washington correspondent of the Herald states that the Department will soon advertise for tenders for this work, also for wireless equipments for warships, each with a radius of 1,000 miles. It is claimed that the United States Navy already has in operation the simplest and most practical system of wireless telegraphy.

#### THE OPEN DOOR IN MANCHURIA.

An official denial is given at Washington to the report cabled from Tokio that negotiations were proceeding for the conclusion of a Treaty or Convention between the United States and Japan. According to the version of the papers, the Convention was to settle the Asiatic immigration difficulty in a manner calculated to satisfy the amour propre of both

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# BERLIN

His Excellency General Count Huelsen-Haeseler, the Chief of the Emperor's Military Cabinet, died suddenly at Donaueschingen on Saturday evening of apoplexy. A funeral service was held on Sunday morning in the great hall of the palace, which had been converted into a mortuary chamber. His Majesty the Emperor was present and laid a wreath on the coffin.

Sir Henry Bergne, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., the first delegate of Great Britain to the Berlin Copyright Conference, died here early on Sunday morning of inflammation of the lungs. Sir Henry was the Head of the Commercial Department and Examiner of Treaties in the Foreign Office, was Superintendent of the Treaty Department from 1881 to 1893, and had represented Great Britain at no less than eleven Conferences and Commissions between 1886 and 1903. He was a member of the Alpine Club.

Sir Edward Goschen, the newly-appointed British Ambassador, has just been received in audience by Prince von Buelow.

"Busstag" in Berlin (tomorrow) will as usual be marked by a visit from the veteran Salvation Army leader General Booth, who has just returned from a missionary trip through South Africa. The aged general will today (Tuesday) be honoured by a preliminary meeting of welcome in Keller's Festsaal, Koppen Strasse 29, at 8.15 p.m. Tomorrow General Booth will deliver a special address, at 3.30 p.m., as usual in the Circus Busch. His topic will be "The responsibility of society towards outcasts, illustrated by the work and organisation of the Salvation Army." A further special meeting will be conducted by General Booth at 8 p.m.

About 500 staff, field, and social officers from all parts of the German Empire will participate in these functions, and music be supplied by the divisional band. Tickets may be obtained at Wertheim's by all who care to attend.

A "Busstag" celebration of special interest to Americans will be that held at the Philharmonic tomorrow (Wednesday) evening, when Mr. Putnam Griswold will sing the bass arias in the *Deutsches Requiem* of Brahms.

Mr. Griswold, who notwithstanding his success in opera is particularly fond of concert work, is singing at Mannheim this evening with the Philharmonic Orchestra. The programme, which is dedicated to Mendelssohn, will include the composer's oratorio "St. Paul" as its chief number.

Haydn's oratorio "The Creation" will be given tomorrow (Busstag) evening at 8 p.m. in the Mozart Saal. At the Theater des Westens "Elias" will be given at 7.30; Alex. Heilmann will sing Elias.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Waitt, of New York, who are being much feted by their friends during their month's stay in Berlin, will remain here until November 20, when they go to Baden Baden for a few days, and thence via London back to America. They will go direct to their country home "Landheim" at Sharon, Connecticut, where they are now accustomed to spend seven months in the year. Mr. and Mrs. Waitt entertained a group of friends at tea at the Kaiserhof on Thursday afternoon, and were the guests of honour last Saturday evening at a large reception given by Mrs. Jno. Cleves-Symmes.

Mr. Waitt, who is largely interested in railroads in America, has been making a thorough investigation while here of the Pintsch gas-works in Berlin.

A number of Americans assembled at the Victoria Saal, opposite the Eispalast, on Saturday afternoon to watch the exhibition of fencing given by Mr. R. S. McElwee and Mr. W. E. Harries, Captain of the Cornell fencing team, 1908. Much interest was taken in the preliminary lesson given by Mr. McElwee, and this increased greatly when the two fencers, in white fencing uniform and the usual wire masks, entered upon several keenly contested bouts. The performance was warmly applauded.

All particulars regarding the course of lessons, which will be held at the Victoria Saal, may be obtained from Mr. McElwee, Winterfeldt Str. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. August Spannuth, Wieland Str. 29, entertained last Sunday, November 15, in honour of Mme. Schumann-Heink.

## GENERAL NEWS.

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Powers, and it is thought to be rather a pity that the cabled reports should be either incorrect or premature. The latter is believed to put the position the more accurately.

Both the Tokio and Washington Governments have undoubtedly a sincere desire to remove possible causes of friction, and this friendly feeling has been accentuated on the American side by the splendid welcome given last month to the United States battleship fleet by the Government and people of Japan. No treaty or Convention is possible, however, so long as the Japanese policy, in regard to trade and commerce in Corea and Manchuria remains as ambiguous as it is today, and another condition precedent would be a frank exchange of views in regard to the relations between Japan, the United States, and the European Powers and China.

It cannot be denied that Japan's whole policy in the matter of the open door, first and foremost

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Mr. Geo. Atwood, Secretary of the Association of Commerce and Trade, who has been seriously ill for the last four weeks, expects to actively resume his duties at the rooms of the Association in about a week's time. Though not yet able to be about, Mr. Atwood has for some time past been managing the affairs of the Association from his residence.

The members of the Willard School, Luitpold Str. 27, who are at present attending the Nibelungen Ring production at the Royal Opera House, are taking an interesting course of informal lectures on the subject from Miss Caroline V. Kerr, Berlin correspondent of the Chicago *Musical Leader*. These talks, which are said to be proving most enjoyable as well as profitable, include an explanation of the story of each drama, and of the Wagnerian legends connected with the Nibelungen Ring.

Dr. Luce's students are already beginning to make preparations for the Christmas study-tour to Russia, which has been an institution of the school for years.

Mrs. Elmer E. Clapp, of Boston, who has been spending a few weeks in Berlin, with her daughter Miss Esther Clapp, a pupil at the Willard School, sailed for New York on Saturday, November 14, by the "Grosser Kurfuerst."

Mrs. Augusta Rohn, of Tiffin, Ohio, the mother of another member of Miss Luce's school, has come to Berlin and will spend the winter at Mrs. Bennett's American Home, Bellevue Strasse 12a.

Dr. and Mrs. Hans Pringsheim entertained at a large dinner-party on Wednesday night.

The following programme has been prepared for the annual *Conversazione* arranged by members of S. George's Church. As usual the Motivhaus, Hardenberg Strasse 6, will be the scene of the festivities:—

- Quartette Vocal:
  - Madrigal "Brightly dawns" . . . . . Sullivan (Mikado)
  - Glee "Sleep" . . . . . Bishop  
Misses A. D. Wortley and N. Howe,  
Messrs. A. C. Reynolds and D. Carpenter.
- Piano Solo:
  - Gavotte . . . . . Gluck-Brahms
  - Prelude . . . . . Chopin
  - Scottish Poem . . . . . MacDowell  
Mr. Rudolph E. Reuter.
- Songs:
  - "To my first love" } . . . . . Hermann Loehr  
"You'd better ask me" }
  - "O lovely night" . . . . . Landon Ronald  
Mr. H. White Thompson.
- Quartette Vocal:
  - Part song "Old Daddy Longlegs" . . . . . MacItrone
  - Catch, "Would you know my Celia's charms" . . . . . Webbe  
Misses A. D. Wortley and N. Howe,  
Messrs. A. C. Reynolds and D. Carpenter.
- Piano Solo:
  - Variations on a Theme by Paganini . . . . . Brahms.  
Mr. Rudolph E. Reuter.
- Songs:
  - Verboegenheit . . . . . Hugo Wolf
  - Walcesgesprach . . . . . Schumann
  - Ruhe meine Seele . . . . . R. Strauss.
  - "Where the Four-leaf Clovers grow" . . . . . R. E. Reuter  
Madame Hanna Mara.

Dancing will follow the Chaplain's short address. Tickets (No. 3) to be obtained beforehand of the Rev. J. H. Fry, 3 Savigny Platz, Mr. A. F. P. Hayman, 19 Gitschiner Strasse, and Dr. S. Shaw, 43 Muenchener Strasse. The profits will be given to the Northern and Central Europe Sailor Work Fund.

The Chaigneau Trio had a fair audience on Saturday night at the Bechstein Saal, when the programme was opened with Beethoven's Trio in E-flat, which elicited warm applause. Through her brilliant and tasteful accompaniments the pianist contributed largely to the success of the evening.

The Trio were ably assisted by Miss Gail Gardner, a beautiful and talented American singer, who only needs a trifle more fervour in order to become a first rate artist.

Miss Isadora Duncan, the noted classical dancer is meeting with fresh vicissitudes in Berlin. Close in the wake of her remarkable success in New York, where she has been receiving ovations, comes the announcement that Berlin, in a fit of unusual decorum, has decided that Miss Duncan must not again dance in the capital. Rigorous police regulations have just been formulated against the "nude in art," which apparently compel Miss Duncan to close her school for children in Berlin. It is being reopened in Darmstadt, where Miss Duncan's project has been warmly received by the Grand Duke of Hesse-Darmstadt himself. His Royal Highness has placed a splendid site not far from the palace at the artist's disposal for the erection of the institution. Miss Duncan's unique children's school in Berlin was founded with the idea of training, from childhood on, a "choir" of dancers, who will be able to demonstrate and propagate her theories in regard to dancing. Some of Germany's best known artists take an active interest in the school, as members of its advisory board. Among these are Professors Hans Thoma, Walter Scott, and Engelbert Humperdinck (composer of "Hansel and Gretel"). Professor Humperdinck sends two of his own children as day-boarders regularly to the school.

It is reported that Miss Duncan's recent performance at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York was watched by a crowded audience, while the Damrosch Symphony Orchestra brought out to perfection her beautiful dances.

## BERLIN CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

### This evening:

Royal Opera House	Tannhauser	at 7.30
Royal Theatre	Maria Magdalene	7.30
New Royal Opera Theatre	Der Amerikaseppel	8
Deutsches Theater	Revolution in Kraehwinkel (Kammerspiele) Gyges und sein Ring	8
Lessing Theatre	Michael Kramer	8
Berliner Theatre	Herodes und Mariamne	8
New Schauspielhaus	Faust. I. Teil	7.30
Kleines Theater	Lady Frederik	8
Comic Opera	Tierland	8
Residenz Theatre	Kuemmere dich um Amelie	8
Hebbel Theatre	Erde	8
Lustspielhaus	Die Tuer ins Freie	8
Schiller Theater O.	Die Zwillingsschwester	8
"Charlottenburg"	Der schwarze Kavalier	8
Frdr. Wilhelmst. Theatre	Die zaerlichen Verwandten	8
Luisen Theatre	Der Stolz der Stadt	8
Bernhard Rose Theatre	Die Jungfrau von Orleans	8.15
Buergerl. Schauspielhaus	Die Herren Soehne	8.15
Urania Theatre	Jerusalem	8
Trianon Theatre	Die Liebe wacht	8

### Every evening until further notice.

Metropol Theatre	Donnerwetter — tadello	at 8
New Operetta Theatre	Die Dollarprinzessin	8
Wintergarten	Spezialtaeten	8
Gebr. Herenfeld Theatre	Die beiden Blindelbands	8
Berl. Operettentheater	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
Theatre des Westens	Der fidele Bauer	8
Thalia Theatre	Bruder Straubinger (Girardi)	8
Casino Theatre	Die Diannaeder	8
Gastspieltheatre	Zaza (Hedwig Lange)	8.15
New Theatre	Silberfischchen (Ahasver. Besuch)	8.30

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and secondly in respect to the Sovereign status of China, is regarded in America with scarcely disguised suspicion.

### MADISON-SQUARE GARDEN TO BE SOLD.

We learn from New York reports that the announcement has been made that Madison-square Garden—the Olympia of New York—is in the market. The great building in Madison-avenue has an almost unique celebrity, and in view of the fact that it is always in use for some entertainment or another, the explanation that its offer for sale is due to the fact that it is no longer a profit-making concern will cause some surprise. It is one of the most American of all American institutions, and since its erection eighteen years ago has had the most varied assemblies within its walls, from the highest in society at the great annual Horse Show to the mixed crowds who have come to see the glories of Barnum and Bailey.

Madison-square Garden has a seating capacity of something over 12,000 people, but there have been

occasions when nearly 20,000 have passed its doors. The reserve sale price is 3,250,000dol.

It was in the roof-garden theatre over this building that the now historic murder of Stanford White occurred.

### THE ATTEMPTED MURDER OF MR. HENEY.

San Francisco, November 15.

The details of the shooting of Mr. Heney (already reported in these columns) are as follow: While the trial of the notorious lawyer and politician Abraham Ruef on a charge of extortion was proceeding on Friday, a man fired several shots from a revolver at District Attorney Francis Heney who was conducting the prosecution. Mr. Heney fell to the ground severely wounded. The man, on being arrested, said that Mr. Heney had ruined him.

San Francisco, November 14.

The man, by name Haas, who attempted to murder District Attorney Heney in Court yesterday has committed suicide in prison.

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# DRESDEN

The City Magistrate has issued an appeal to the people of Dresden for subscriptions in aid of the fund for the benefit of the sufferers from the mine disaster in Westphalia.

King Friedrich August has expressed his sorrow for the sad event in a telegram to the Emperor.

The "recitation evening" which Herr Paul Wiecke held at the Palmengarten on Saturday evening was dedicated to the memory of the poet Prince Emil von Schoenaich-Carolath, who died on the 30th of April last. In a few introductory remarks Herr Wiecke paid a tribute to the deceased prince as the poet of longing, one of the best, but no fashion-poet; and then proceeded, in a choice selection from his author's writings, comprising short narratives and lyric poems, to give a general view of his work. Herr Wiecke's merits as a reader are well-known. The chief charm of his art is the unflinching sympathy with which he catches the spirit of the poet whom he represents; he makes one forget the room and all in it that could divert our attention; one feels compelled to close one's eyes, and dreamily to follow the song of the poet which the modulated tones of the reader's voice makes so unusually melodious. It is thus that the readings of Herr Wiecke have a power of intimate suggestion which, although it should be a matter-of-course under such circumstances, is seldom realised. The hall was quite full, and the applause, reserved until the close of the evening, broke out then with an enthusiasm which should prove to the artist how grateful the audience were to him for making them acquainted with one of our best lyric poets.

M. N.

During the hearing of a suit before the IV. Civil Senate of the Supreme Court at Leipzig yesterday afternoon at three o'clock, the complainant, Herr Grosser, of Berlin, suddenly drew a revolver from his pocket and fired several shots at the Bench. It appears that the Clerk of the Court, Herr Rechnungsrat Strassburg, was struck by a bullet in the abdomen, and has since died; and that Councillor Maenner was also severely wounded.

The guards in the city today are furnished by the 2nd Grenadier regiment No. 101, whose band plays about 12.30 p.m. in the Neustadt.

### MUSIC AND ART NOTICES.

Miss Watson will give two lectures in the Albertinum this week, where the many fine casts afford excellent illustration of the subjects. The Tuesday lecture, today's, will be devoted to Michaelangelo the Sculptor. The Thursday lecture to Phedias and the Parthenon. The Wednesday morning lecture, The Impressionists: Monet, Degos, Renoir, Sisley, will be held as usual in Miss Watson's rooms at Gutzkow Strasse 33, II, at 11.30, which is also the hour for the Albertinum lectures.

A performance of sacred music will take place in the Roman Catholic part of the Garrison Church in Albertstadt on Sunday afternoon, the 29th instant, at 4 o'clock. The programme will contain organ pieces, and vocal solos and duets.

At the Central Theatre this evening, at 7.30, Der Pfarrer von Kirchfeld, a folk-play with song in four acts by L. Anzengruber, will be performed.

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Tomorrow, Busstag, two popular demonstration-lectures will be delivered by the astronomer, T. Foerstroem, on Die Wunder des Himmels. The first lecture will begin at 3.30 p.m., the second at 7.30 p.m. The prices at both lectures will be the same, viz. the usual evening prices.

On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings the variety performances will take place, with two operettas included. On Sunday afternoon Der Pfarrer von Kirchfeld will be given, and in the evening Sherlock Holmes.

The Polish harpist Therese Ombra will assist in the concert which is to be given by the Lehmann-Osten Choir at the Ex-

hibition Palace on Monday, the 23rd instant, at 8 o'clock; she will perform compositions by Hasselmanns and Alberstoeffer. Frl. Alice Foltz will recite poems by Villinger, Volker, Andersen, and Muenchhausen; and Frl. Doris Walde will sing songs by Georg Schumann, Reger, and Lehmann-Osten. Tickets may be obtained at the Secretary's office, Walpurgis Strasse 18, I.

At Herr Georg Zscherneck's pianoforte recital on the 19th inst. at the Palmengarten the following works will be performed: Fantasia and Fugue in A-minor by Bach-Stradal; Fantasia quasi Sonata by Liszt (Apres une lecture du Dante); Variations and Fugue on a Bach theme by Reger.

## DRESDEN CURRENT ENTERTAINMENTS.

### Royal Opera House.

Tonight, beginning at 7, ending 8.45

### II. Symphony Concert. Series B.

Soloist: Herr Artur Schnabel.

- (1) Symphony No. 4, in D-minor . . . . . Robert Schumann.
- (2) Pianoforte Concerto in G, op. 58 . . . . . L. van Beethoven.
- (3) Tod und Verklarung, op. 24, tone-poem for grand orchestra . . . . . Richard Strauss.

The public rehearsal of the above programme will take place at 10.30 a.m. of the same day.

Wednesday night	closed.	
Thursday night	Mignon	at 7.30
Friday night	Aida	" 7.30
Saturday night	Lohengrin	" 7.30
Sunday night	Eugen Onegin	" 7
Monday night	La Traviata. (Violetta.)	" 7.30

### Royal Theatre Neustadt.

Tonight	Goetz von Berlichingen	at 7.30
Wednesday night	closed.	
Thursday night	Thummelumsen	" 7.30
Friday night	Die Rabensteinerin	" 7.30
Saturday night	Zweimal zwei Ist tuenf	" 7.30
Sunday night	Die Braut von Messina	" 7
Monday night	Thummelumsen	" 7.30

Central Theatre . . . Der Pfarrer von Kirchfeld . . . at 7.30  
Victoria Salon . . . closed.

### MOVEMENTS OF LINERS.

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### YESTERDAY'S REPORTS.

- "Gneisenau," from Australia for Bremen, passed Gibraltar Nov. 14th.
- "Koenigin Luise," from New York for Genoa, passed Vellas November 13th.
- "Derfflinger," from Hamburg for Japan, left Gibraltar Nov. 14th.
- "Princess Alice," from Japan for Hamburg, arrived Colombo November 14th.
- "Roon," from Bremen for Australia, left Suez November 14th.
- "Prinz Ludwig," from Bremen for Japan, arrived Yokohama November 15th.
- "Kleist," from Japan for Bremen, left Shanghai November 15th.
- "Chemnitz," from Baltimore for Galveston, left Baltimore November 14th.
- "Zieten," from Japan for Bremen, left Port Said November 14th.
- "Kaiser Wilhelm II.," from New York for Bremen, passed Scilly November 16th.
- "Main," from New York for Bremen, passed Dover November 15th.
- "Luetzow," from Japan for Hamburg, left Vlissingen Nov. 15th.
- "Grosser Kurfuerst," from Bremen for New York, left Cherbourg November 15th.

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### GENERAL NEWS.

(Continued from page 2.)

#### NEW YORK OPERA SEASON.

New York press reports state that advance subscriptions to the Metropolitan and Manhattan opera houses exceed \$1,000,000. Europe has been ransacked for artists, and there is no evidence that rivalry between the two houses is diminishing. To judge by the crowded audience at the Manhattan last Tuesday night, when Mr. Hammerstein opened his third season with Puccini's "La Tosca," New York had gone opera mad. For nearly two hours carriages and motor-cars were bringing the wealth and fashion of New York to the big playhouse. A new soprano, Miss Labia, sang there for the first time, and was heartily approved. Zenatello and Renaud were also heard again. The Metropolitan opens next week.

#### 120 MILES AN HOUR.

We learn that arrangements are being made by the Pennsylvania Railroad to electrify the route of 120 miles dividing Philadelphia, the third largest city in America, from New York, and to reduce the running time from two hours to one hour. Contracts for 100 electric locomotives, and for power plants capable of generating 250,000 horse-power, have already been let to the Westinghouse Electric Company. These locomotives will be capable of making 120 miles an hour. The initial electri-

fication contract was for \$5,000,000. The very high rate of speed necessary to cut an hour off the present running time from New York to Philadelphia was expected to generate enormous rail pressure, but the tests made by the Pennsylvania Line with electric locomotives prove that the proposed one-hour schedule could be maintained without danger.

#### DEATH OF THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS.

Paris, November 15.

The Grand Duke Alexis of Russia, uncle of the Czar, died here yesterday morning at 6 o'clock, at his residence in the Avenue Gabriel. It had been hoped that his strong constitution would have enabled him to overcome the attack of bronchial pneumonia, from which he had been suffering for a week, but heart complications set in, and after a temporary rally last night, His Imperial Highness succumbed this morning to suffocation brought on by congestion. M. Fallières, M. Clemenceau, and M. Pichon and other Ministers and officials of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, and a number of Russian residents in Paris have registered their names at the Grand Duke's residence.

The Grand Duke Alexis was born in St. Petersburg on the 2nd January, 1850. He held the position of Admiral in the Russian Navy, and high appointments in the Army. The Grand Duke also held honorary commands in the German Army and Navy and

in the Austrian Army. His Imperial Highness was not married.

#### DEATH OF THE EMPEROR AND DOWAGER-EMPRESS OF CHINA.

Peking, November 14.

The Emperor Kuang-hue is dead. Reports from the Palace state that death took place on the night of the 10th-11th instant.

A later Reuter telegram of the same date from Peking states positively that the Emperor Kuang-hue died at 5 o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

Peking, November 15.

The Empress Dowager is dead.

#### THE DUTCH "REVELATIONS."

Amsterdam, November 15.

Reuter learns from the best authority, with reference to the article in the Vaterland, that neither on the outbreak of the war between Russia and Japan nor at any time during the year 1904 was a letter from the Emperor William the subject of conversation between the Queen of Holland and Dr. Kuyper. All the comments that have made on that article, particularly so far as they have brought this subject into connection with the North Sea Treaty—a connection which was not credited by any one—are therefore valueless.



### A PROBLEMATIC EXTRADITION CASE. (From our own correspondent.)

New York, November 5.

For a long time the American Government, no less than American public opinion, has been much exercised by an unusual extradition case in which the question, a very important one from an international point of view, is involved, how far America, under the peculiar conditions prevailing in certain countries, can still be considered as an asylum for political refugees from those countries. The case referred to is that of the Russian, Jan Janoŕ Pouden, whose extradition is demanded by the Russian Government on a charge of attempted murder, robbery, and incendiarism, whereas Pouden and his intimates in this country declare that he is no criminal in the proper sense of the word and in the sense of the Russian-American extradition treaty, but that he is being prosecuted for political and revolutionary offences.

The American Government had decided to accede to the demand for this man's extradition when a petition in his favour, signed by 70,000 persons of many different nationalities residing in 43 States of the Union, reached the President requesting him to intervene in Pouden's favour. "in the interests of humanity." The petitioners pointed out that the Russian Government was endeavouring in Pouden's case to create a precedent which might lead to the extradition of all the Russian political refugees now in the United States. The Pouden Defence Committee, which has been formed, made an appeal in the same spirit to the daily and Church journals, and ultimately Pouden was allowed a further hearing, to give him another opportunity of proving that he is a political refugee.

A few days ago the Secretary of State gave orders that Pouden should be released; but almost immediately afterwards he was re-arrested, on the ground that fresh incriminating material had been furnished by the representative of the Russian Government. During the new hearing thus granted to Pouden before the Federal Commissioner, Mr. Shield, one of Pouden's witnesses, a Livonian named Andrew Lasdinch, gave a description of revolutionary life in Russia. He deposed that in the autumn of 1905-1906 he had been in Livonia, where Pouden is accused of having committed the crimes laid to his charge. This witness said: "I was a member of the Social Democrat party and of its central committee, and a member also of the local central committee at Sissegael. At that time there was a revolutionary Militia there, elected by the population in the autumn of 1905. I was the representative of a Militia company. The title of that organisation was at first Militia, afterwards "Brothers of the Forests."

The witness Lasdinch, in the further course of his examination, related how he had at first known Pouden as a workman and then as a revolutionary; that he had often seen him at political meetings, and particularly at the demonstration at which the demands of the people were laid before the barons. Hereupon Lasdinch was questioned as to the setting on fire of several public houses; and he replied that the inn-keepers acted as Government spies and therefore the central revolutionary committee ordered that they should be laid under contribution or punished, an order which was approved by the local committees. Fines were imposed in some cases, the money so raised being handed to the central headquarters in Riga, whence payments were made to the local committees.

The final decision in this exceptionally interesting case is awaited here with great anxiety.

### THE LATE EMPEROR OF CHINA.

Kwang-Su, the late Emperor, was born on August 16, 1871, and was a cousin of the late Emperor Tung-Chih. He owed his nomination to the Throne to the intrigues of the Dowager-Empress, Tsu Shi. The latter, however, acted as regent until the Emperor came of age in 1887, and on the day of his accession she compelled him to sign a declaration reserving to herself many rights of sovereignty. The Empress-Dowager, although sprung from the dregs of the people, was admitted to be a woman of great energy and ability. She has often been compared to Catherine the Great, and the analogy is not far out in regard to her greed of power, extravagance, and other characteristics.

The struggle between the two for supremacy went on for years, the young Emperor being credited with the intention to introduce Western ideas into China, while the Dowager-Empress did her best to repress these tendencies. She succeeded even beyond her expectations, seized the Emperor's advisers, and with the help of Li Hung Chang, imprisoned the Emperor within the precincts of the Summer Palace at Peking.

The Boxer movement followed, with its murder of Christian missionaries, destruction of property, and the siege of the Legations, terminating with the flight of the Dowager Empress and the Emperor from Peking, to which they did not return for many months. The Emperor was married soon after he reached his majority. There were 300 candidates for the honour, and these were reduced to 30 for final selection. The choice fell upon Zehouala, daughter of the Empress-Dowager's own brother, a lady distinguished for her great beauty. Two other wives were

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Thursday, November 19th. 8.0 a.m. Holy Communion.  
Friday, November 20th. 11.0 a.m. Matins and Litany.  
Saturday, November 21st. 10.0 a.m. Matins.

Annual General Meeting of the Congregation on Tuesday, November 17, at the Grand Union Hotel 4.0 p.m.  
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The Emperor's character was some years ago sketched thus: "The Emperor appears to be a sickly youth with a melancholy, but not unattractive countenance, given to violent fits of passion, which he gratifies in a relatively harmless way by smashing his furniture. In the self-imposed seclusion of his palace, within whose precincts only women and eunuchs are allowed to dwell, he holds no communication with the outside world except through the high State officials, who approach him on bended knee to present reports upon public affairs in which the necessities of truth are largely subordinated to the considerations of courtly expediency.

"When he goes forth to sacrifice in one of the Imperial temples, the streets through which he passes are carefully cleared and guarded, the houses on either side are shut off with heavy hangings, the ground is strewn with yellow sand, and everything removed which might offend the sensitiveness of Imperial eyes or nostrils. Through the deserted thoroughfares the Son of Heaven flits, generally in the stillness of night, like a ghost borne in a lofty palanquin" (Valentine Chirrol).

It is possible that the demise of the Crown in China will prove to be a matter of relatively small consequence; the great movements which are transforming the Empire go on independently and apart from the Court at Peking. The Court may or may not be reactionary; it will in any case hardly welcome increasing Western influence, since that influence inevitably makes for honesty in administration, and a reduction of "Squeezepidgin" wherever it penetrates. The people, however, may agree that the old abuses are better than the new improvements; the cry of "China for the Chinese" may prove all-powerful, and—though the Manchu dynasty is itself in a sense alien—the foreigners may have a difficult and dangerous time yet ahead of them in China. But the death of the Emperor need not necessarily be a factor making for disorder or disruption. The event had probably been foreseen in the capital for some time, and its chances calculated in advance; but in any case, the news takes longer to travel to a neighbouring province than it does to get to Europe. There is sometimes safety in delay, remarks a London journal, as well as in the fait accompli.

### MADAME MELBA AND THE NEWSBOY.

(From our own correspondent.)

London, November 14.

The newsboy, Charles Pollock, who on the recent visit to Belfast of Mme. Melba laid a bundle of newspapers on the footpath from the hotel to the carriage to prevent the distinguished singer getting her shoes wet, yesterday received the following letter:—

Ritz Hotel, Piccadilly.

Dear Boy,—I was much touched by your chivalrous thought for me in Belfast the other day. I shall always remember it with great pleasure. I am glad to hear you are a steady, industrious boy, and a comfort to your mother, and I know you will grow up a brave, honourable man, for you have already given evidence of the possession of exceptional qualities.

You readily sacrificed your little bundle to make an easy path for me, and I hope your path through life may be made easy and bright by the kindness of others. I enclose a cheque for £5 to buy you some small gift that will remind you of how I appreciate your thoughtfulness.—Faithfully yours,

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of the Royal Saxon Meteorological Institute.

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