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## GENERAL NEWS.

### NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

#### THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT.

London, December 18.

In the House of Lords today the Miners Eight Hours Bill passed the third reading after the insertion of two important amendments; one of which was later accepted and the other rejected by the House of Commons. No doubt is felt that the Lords will now agree to that rejection, and that the Bill become law. Parliament will be prorogued on the 21st instant until the 16th of February.

#### THE INTERNATIONAL NAVAL CONFERENCE.

London, December 18.

The international Conference on naval law has adjourned until after the holidays. The subjects that have been discussed relate to blockades and the mercantile ships of belligerent Powers sailing under neutral flags.

#### GREAT BRITAIN AND AUSTRIA.

Vienna, December 18.

The newly appointed British ambassador has informed Baron v. Achrenthal that the British Government fully approves of direct negotiation between Austria-Hungary and Turkey with reference to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

#### FATAL COLLISION IN THE CHANNEL.

Dover, December 18.

The Swedish steamer "Lindholmen" was in collision today with the German steamer "Friederike Müller," of Stettin. The "Lindholmen" went down and eight people on board her were drowned. The survivors were brought to Dover.

A later telegram from Dover states that the "Friederike Müller" stood by the "Lindholmen" to the last, and did all that was possible to save the lives of those on board her. Seven men were thus rescued, including the master, and second mate. One man of the "Lindholmen's" crew was picked up by an English steamer later, making eight saved out of sixteen.

#### NEWS FROM AMERICA.

##### MR. TAFT'S CABINET.

Washington, December 19.

Mr. Taft has designated Mr. Philander Knox, formerly Attorney General, for the post of Secretary of State.

##### CHALLENGE TO THE OIL TRUST.

New York, December 18.

News has been received here that Russian oil producers are about to make a determined effort to "smash" the Standard Oil Trust in China and Japan. It is said that a gigantic oil pipe line is to be constructed from the Caucasian oil-fields to a point on the Persian Gulf, whence it can be shipped to Asiatic markets and sold at prices which will make American competition impossible.

## Madonna and Child

Oil painting, epoch 1560 to 1580.

An elderly English lady living at 12, Il. rechts, Puersten Strasse, wishes to dispose of this valuable picture and a number of rare articles, privately, at very reduced prices.

They may be seen on Tuesdays and Fridays, between 4 and 5.30, or by appointment at other times. A photograph of the picture and a list of the articles are to be seen at the office of the **DAILY RECORD**.

#### LAWLESSNESS IN THE SOUTH.

The trial commenced last week at Union City, Tennessee, of a number of men known as "Nightriders." These Nightriders may be compared to Irish Moonlighters of days gone by. They trace their origin to alleged agrarian injustices, but in the main they are lawless characters who have committed all sorts of atrocities without a semblance of real excuse.

Whatever primary object the original Nightriders may have had in view has been forgotten, and the present organisation of Tennessee woodsmen are on about the same moral level as the Italian "Black-hand" gangs, who throw bombs into houses and shops in New York. By means of combination, writes a Press correspondent from Union City, Tennessee, they have been venting the personal spites of members, and regulating the private affairs of many persons for miles around. For instance, merchants whose total sales did not exceed \$2 a day were ordered to sell goods at cost plus 10 per cent. profit; tenants of farms were ordered to pay no cash rent, but to insist on working the ground on shares; growers of grain and tobacco were ordered to plant only so many acres of soil; landlords were bidden by advertisement not to lease their property for cash rents. A woman who left her drunken husband was ordered to return to him, and when she refused, was taken to the woods, stripped, tied to a tree, and lashed with a cat of nine tails until her back and shoulders were one big wound. Other women, fond of pretty clothing, were told to cease wearing it, and every case of refusal to comply instantly was followed by a visit from the black-masked crew, a swift and violent seizure of the recalcitrant, a rapid ride to the depths of the forest, and awful whipping.

For nearly two years these terrors of the wilderness rode nightly. Then the riders extended their operations. They began to visit larger towns, such as Troy, Dyersburg, and Union City. This extension was followed by the order of the murder of Captain Quentin Rankin. Finally, people became enraged, the Governor interfered, and in a frenzy many persons said: "We will stamp out this organisation legally, or by mobs, or will be stamped out by it," and so came the special grand jury, instructed

by Judge Jones, and advised by Attorney-General Caldwell. Quickly, too, came the defiance of the Nightriders: "Dismiss the grand jury, stop the investigation, or we will send jury, judge, and prosecutor to join Captain Rankin." The answer was numerous arrests of alleged Nightriders by the militia, and 125 indictments for capital offences. For the trials on these indictments, which opened this week, the issue is clearly drawn. It is a struggle between organised lawlessness and the forces of order.

#### THE TARIFF ON PICTURE CARDS.

Washington, December 18.

The representatives of the picture post-card industry have asked the Tariff Committee to recommend a considerable increase of the duty on post-cards, in order to enable them to compete with Germany.

#### BRITISH CRUISERS AT SOUTH AMERICA.

Buenos Ayres, December 19.

Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Scott, commanding the British cruiser squadron, has arrived here on board the cruiser "Pelorus." The Argentine cruiser "Nueve de Julio" went out to meet "Pelorus," and escorted her into harbour.

#### VENEZUELA AND PRESIDENT CASTRO.

While President Castro is sojourning in Berlin, affairs in Venezuela have reached a climax. It will be remembered that for some time past the Republic has been at loggerheads with the Dutch Government. A few days ago two Dutch warships seized a Venezuelan gunboat. From reports recently received from Caracas, the capital, the inhabitants, believing this to be the outcome of President Castro's misguided policy towards Holland, have risen in open revolt. Many of the principal buildings in the city were wrecked. Not content with this, however, and wishing, no doubt, to emphasise the fact that the President is alone responsible for the present state of affairs, the mob pulled down every statue and effaced every inscription which could remind the people of the President's former power. From all accounts the troops under the command of General Gomez, the acting President, remained loyal. With the institution of martial law, however, affairs are quieting down, though it is more than probable that fresh outbreaks may occur before very long. It is significant that throughout these disturbances there has been no demonstration against Holland. It is against President Castro that the fury of the people has been directed, and against him alone. But, asks a contemporary, what of the future? It is very certain that there will be a renewal of disturbances if the President returns to Venezuela. Unfortunately no leader seems to have arisen, so far, who has the confidence of the people. The general commanding the troops is obviously the person, if he has the courage, to step into President Castro's shoes. We may hear in a few days that he has done so. But however that may be, if the late ruler attempts to resume his former place in

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