

GERMAN PLOT SEEN BY GREAT BRITAIN IN TRANSFER OF DACIA

Diplomatic Circles Aroused Over Alleged "Crooked" Purchase, Which May Embroil United States.

LONDON, Jan. 14. A more serious diplomatic situation has arisen from the European war than the new occupying the attention of the British Cabinet and involving the steamship Dacia, recently purchased from the Hamburg-American line by an American citizen and afterwards transferred to the American registry.

"WASH SALE" ALLEGED. The Dacia is to sail soon from Galveston for Bremen with a cargo of cotton. The ship has been the subject of much correspondence between the two nations over a fortnight.

WASHINGTON WORRIED. WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. The proposed sailing of the steamship Dacia, which was recently adopted by the Government after what many persons in diplomatic circles characterize as a "specious" sale to an American citizen, is engaging the attention of the State Department.

COURT AVERTS SENSATION OVER NORDICA'S WILL. Judge Prohibits Introduction of Letters in Contest for Diva's Estate.



"CURLY JOE" CASSIDY Former Democratic boss of Queens County, New York, who was taken to Sing Sing yesterday to begin a term of 18 months.

TRIES TO STEAL BABY HIPPO AS PRESENT TO EMPEROR

Austrian Laborer Attempts Kidnaping in New York. NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—A young man squeezed between the iron stanchions of the enclosure of the hippo family in the Central Park menagerie yesterday, and after looking at Miss Murphy and her son Kongo in the water, started down the steps toward them, Miss Murphy, indignant at the intrusion, started for him.

THE SACRAMENTO AFFAIR. In this connection, as having an important bearing on the controversy over the Dacia, it was learned that the German merchant vessel, the Alexandria, which had been sold to Americans and admitted to American registry as the Sacramento, had been interned by Chile on the ground that she supplied munitions and supplies to German vessels in South Pacific waters and was therefore to be considered as an auxiliary vessel of the German navy.

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Sensational developments in the settlement of the estate of Lillian Nordica, the grand opera singer, who died on January 14, 1914, have been avoided through an order issued by Supreme Court Justice Goff. The case was Mrs. George W. Young in private life, and it is said that differences existed between herself and husband from some time. A number of letters, believed to have been "scandalous" in character, will be kept out of court as a result of Justice Goff's ruling.

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"SLATE MAKERS" PARCELLING OUT POLITICAL "PAP"

Republican Leaders Confer on Apportionment of 219 Jobs—Woodward Favored for Appropriation Chairmanship.

Republican Organization leaders in the Legislature met again today in the Republican State Committee headquarters on South Broad street, to complete the legislative "slate" which they discussed all day yesterday at conferences of the "slate" committees of both the Senate and House.

Democratic State Chairman Morris regained control of the Democratic Club, 1505 Walnut street, last night. John R. Howard, a Morris supporter and Democratic leader in the 6th Ward, was elected a director, after 113 Morris adherents, most of them Federal officeholders had been elected members of the club.

THE YOUNG REPUBLICANS OF PHILADELPHIA, at their annual election last night, elected the following officers: President, Maxine J. Pickering. Vice presidents, Philip H. Johnson, Charles E. Bartlett, William C. Brown and Charles Henry Fox.

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MANN ACT MAY INVOLVE MUCH-MARRIED MINISTER

Federal and State Authorities After the Rev. J. W. Darnell. CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—James Morrison Darnell, Unitarian minister, whose marital difficulties include charges by three young women who claim to be his wives, today faced possible prosecution on one of two charges.

State's Attorney Hoyne today took personal charge of an investigation to learn if the preacher played the part of bridegroom in more than one ceremony, while the bride of the first still was living. Hinton C. Clabough, local head of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, is seeking to learn whether Darnell, in his alleged trip to and from pastorates in Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota violated the Mann white slave act.

Underwear & Hosiery \$2 to \$2.50 \$1.49 Silk Vests. Women's sample vests of glove silk, some hand made, some beautifully embroidered. Pink and white in lot.

50c Derby Rib Underwear, 39c Heavy cotton-rib garment; soft and warm; ecru color. Shirts have woven neck; drawers are fully reinforced. All good sizes.

40c to \$1 Camisoles, 29c to 69c. Reco silk in pink and white, trimmed with shadow lace and ribbon. One sketched.

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Joe Tuber Wins Amateur Bout. Joe Tuber, of Southwark, defeated Jimmy Buck of the 100-pound amateur tournament at the Philadelphia Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last night. The former was awarded a diamond ring, while Buck received second prize, a gold watch.

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AUSTRIANS HURL RUSSIANS BACK TO UZSOK PASS. Invaders of Hungary Repulsed in Upper Ung Valley. VIENNA, Jan. 14. Official announcement was made today that the Russian troops who invaded Hungary through Uzsock Pass had been defeated by Austria-Hungarian troops in the valley of the upper Ung River and had retreated toward the pass.

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FRIENDS TO DISCUSS PEACE. Philadelphia Friends will meet tonight in the Meeting House, at 15th and Race streets, to consider constructive measures for world-wide peace.

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Clothing: Final Shipment of the Great Purchase From Liveright, Greenwald & Co. Whose Factory is at 8th and Spring Garden Streets—and who have ranked among the best manufacturing tailors for two score years.

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