

ABDUL HAMID II

Ex-Sultan of Turkey, Who is Selling Jewels at Auction.



Paris, Nov. 28.—The sale of jewels belonging to Abdul Hamid II, ex-sultan of Turkey, was begun at the galleries of George Petit in the Rue de Seze. The first sale amounted to 2,667,276 francs, or about \$533,455. The highest price was received for a collar and chaplet of pearls. It brought \$184,000. There were 154 oriental pearls arranged in three strings, comprising one of the most magnificent pieces of jewelry ever seen in Paris. A collar of 191 oriental pearls which was second on the list went for \$13,800. Another high price was paid for a chaplet of ninety-nine pearls containing three ruby pendants which went for \$124,700.

LOYALISTS REPULSE REBELS.

Desperate Fighting and Heavy Losses Reported at Hankow.

Peking, Nov. 28.—While indications point to the ultimate success of the rebels fighting around Peking, the imperial forces again have the upper hand in the Hankow district.

The American consul at Hankow wired his legation here that after the imperial forces had captured the rebel positions the revolutionists fled to Wuchang, where they were pursued. The losses of the rebels are described as enormous, and it is added that the fighting was of the most desperate character.

Word comes that the rebel leaders around Hankow have appealed to the foreign consuls to mediate with a view to securing a three days' armistice to enable them to consult with other revolutionary centers about considering Yuan Shih Kai's proposal for a limited monarchy.

If these reports are true, it can only mean that the position of Yuan Shih Kai as premier has been greatly strengthened. Meanwhile the republicans are banking strongly on the capture of Nanking, the fall of which is said to be imminent. The republicans claim that the fall of Nanking will establish their cause firmly in central and southern China.

The Manchus are said to be extremely anxious over the situation. Prince Tsaitao is said to be in almost constant consultation with General Yin Chang, chief of the general staff. It is assumed that plans are being made for a display of military strength by the Manchus.

NEW YORK AUTHOR DIES.

W. Max Reid Succumbs After Illness of Several Weeks.

Amsterdam, N. Y., Nov. 28.—After an illness of several weeks of cancer, W. Max Reid, an author and one of the best known residents of Amsterdam, is dead.

Mr. Reid was born in Amsterdam June 8, 1839. He was the author of "History of St. Ann's Church and Queen Ann's Chapel," "The Mohawk Valley, Its Legends and Its History," "The Terrible Mohawks" and others.

Swiss Leader Dead.

Bern, Switzerland, Nov. 28.—Joseph A. Schobinger, Conservative leader in the federal council, in which he was also the director of the department of finance, is dead.

Market Reports.

BUTTER—Firm; receipts, 6,232 packages; creamery, specials, per lb., 26 1/2c; extras, 25 1/2c; thirds to firsts, 24 1/2c; held specials, 23 1/2c to 24c; held extras, 21 1/2c to 22c; held lower grades, 20 1/2c; state dairy, common to prime, 22 1/2c; process, seconds to specials, 22 1/2c; factory, current make, 22 1/2c; packing stock, 18 1/2c.

CHEESE—Firm; receipts, 517 boxes; state, whole milk, September and earlier specials, per lb., 15 1/2c; average fancy, September and earlier, 15 1/2c; current make, specials, 15 1/2c; average fancy, 14 1/2c; undergrades, 13 1/2c; daisies, best, 15 1/2c; part skims, 6 1/2c; hard skims, 5 1/2c.

EGGS—Steady; receipts, 3,919 cases; fresh gathered, extras, 44 1/2c; extra firsts, 42 1/2c; firsts, 39 1/2c; seconds, 28 1/2c; refrigerator, special marks, fancy, 23 1/2c; firsts, 22 1/2c; seconds, 20 1/2c to 21 1/2c; state, Pennsylvania and nearby, whites, 40 1/2c; henery browns, 42 1/2c; gathered brown and mixed, 34 1/2c.

LIVE POULTRY—Turkeys higher; chickens, per lb., 9 1/2c; fowls, 11c; roosters, 7 1/2c; turkeys, 15 1/2c; ducks, 12 1/2c; geese, 22 1/2c; pigeons, per pair, 20c; guineas, per pair, 60c.

POTATOES—Firm; Bermudas, late crop, No. 1, per bbl., \$14; No. 2, \$13.50; southern, late crop, \$2.25 to \$2.75; Maine, bulk, 1 1/2c to \$2.25; per bag, \$2.50 to \$3; Long Island, per bbl. or bag, \$3.50; state and western, bulk, 1 1/2c to \$2.50; per bag, \$2.75 to \$3; Michigan, 1 1/2c to \$2.50; Scotch, per bag, \$1.50 to \$1.75; English, \$1.50 to \$1.75; sweet, Jersey, No. 1, per bushel, \$1.50; southern, per bbl., \$2.50.

GERMANS EXCITED.

Eagerly Read Accounts of Grey's Speech.

WAR CLOUDS DIMINISHING.

The Lokal Anzeiger, Government Organ, Calls Attention to Friendly Tone of British Foreign Secretary's Statement of Moroccan Negotiations.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—The eager curiosity concerning the long looked for speech of Sir Edward Grey in the British house of commons reached a fever pitch here. If the direct question of peace or war had been at stake the excitement could scarcely have been greater than it was while the public awaited the newspaper reports of what the British secretary of foreign affairs had said in reference to the recent Moroccan negotiations.

It was late before the papers issued gratis extra editions containing the first part of Sir Edward's speech. These extras were eagerly grabbed by everybody who got them and were read in the streets, on the cars, at the railway stations and in the restaurants and cafes—indeed, wherever men congregated. Not enough was printed to give a very clear and definite idea of what had really been said, but it was apparent that the first impression was a favorable one.

The local newspapers are having the entire speech transmitted by telegraph, and it will necessarily be very late before the Germans will have it all before them. On this account it will be impossible before late today to glean anything like a comprehensive statement of a judgment of Germany on the matter.

The Lokal Anzeiger, which is always friendly to the government, will editorially call attention to the friendliness of the tone of Sir Edward's speech and express satisfaction thereat. It will point out that his statement corresponds with the expressed attitude of Germany throughout the negotiations and will give voice to the hope that the speech will mark the beginning of a period of diminishing hostility in the relations between Great Britain and Germany.

WERE AT DANGER POINT.

Sir Edward Grey Admits Germany and England Were Near War.

London, Nov. 28.—In the opinion of Europe, history was made in the house of commons when Sir Edward Grey, the secretary of state for foreign affairs, delivered his notable speech clearing up much of the mystery which has clung about the part which Great Britain took in the negotiations regarding Morocco.

While the utterances of Sir Edward were conservative in every way, the fact stands out clearly that the relations between England and Germany were strained last summer to the danger point. That the British government refused to permit Germany to deal with France without being consulted in turn was revealed by Sir Edward, who, while deprecating the idea that Lloyd-George's speech of July last was threatening in its nature, left a strong impression on the minds of his hearers that a threat was intended. He went so far as to intimate that the speech was suggested by Premier Asquith himself.

Sir Edward did not enter into an explanation of the reports which have been in circulation that Great Britain had been prepared for hostilities while the Moroccan negotiations were in progress. So far as that portion of the controversy is concerned, the minister confined his statement to the expression of a personal disbelief of the report which has been circulated from time to time that an abrupt break had been likely in the relations between Germany and Great Britain. While he admitted that during the month of July there had been periods of anxiety, he evidently was of the opinion that there had been no real danger. He made it obvious that during that month Germany had abstained from all communication with the British government, but despite this fact Sir Edward explained that he had twice outlined the attitude of Great Britain to the German ambassador at London. It was apparent from this that Lloyd-George's speech was made for the purpose of forcing a reply from the kaiser's minister and bringing the German government to terms. It was just as apparent from the speech that this policy was successful.

JUSTICE ON PAYING BASIS.

Wickersham Says His Department is Self Sustaining.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Discussing his annual report, upon which he has been at work for several days, Attorney General Wickersham said that before another year the collections of the department of justice in lawsuits would equal the expenditures. Last year the department was able to run without cost to the government, and this year the feat is even more creditable, as the enlarged activities of the department have increased the expenditures from \$3,500,000 to \$4,000,000.

Mr. Wickersham said that three trusts are now at work upon reorganization plans. These are the International Harvester company, the powder trust and the plumbing trust.

THE NEW OPERA BAG.

Trimmed Reticule Important Part of Costume.



A VANITY OR OPERA BAG.

The up to the minute woman carries to evening affairs, the theater and the like, a very picturesque bag slung on long cord handles. Such a bag is pictured, and it contains fan, opera glass, vanity outfit and all the little belongings a woman likes to have at hand. It is made of rose silk embroidered in gold soutache and matches the cap of macramé lace over rose silk with trimmings of gold fringe.

First Aid to Silver Bag.

"Where's your lovely silver bag?" asked a keen eyed woman of the friend who had come to meet her.

"Oh," was the plaintive answer, "I have had to stop wearing it. It leaves a dirty mark against all my light dresses, and, besides, I'm afraid of wearing it out. My keys and things poke holes in the links so."

Any possessor of one of those very desirable silver bags will have experienced these troubles, but there is really no need to put the pretty things away except for dark clad occasions, when nothing more serious than a handkerchief and a notebook are carried. Silver bags certainly get very dirty, but they have the advantage over leather and suede ones of being easily cleaned.

When your bag is dark and dull looking simply drop it into a bowl of hot water to which a little ammonia has been added. You will be surprised at the dirt that will roll out. A good brushing with soap and a soft nail-brush will finish the cleaning process. The bag should now be rinsed in clear hot water and rubbed with a soft towel while it is still warm.

Useful Christmas Offerings.

A Christmas grab bag will make the day bright for some friend who is ill. It can be made to suit any purse. That is its chief appeal to the donor. It lasts all day, and that is its greatest attraction to the recipient. Make the bag to suit the age and tastes of the person who is to open it. In it pack ten or a dozen gifts, tied separately in tissue paper with gay cords or colored ribbons. Fasten a card of direction to the outside of the bag. It might read: "Merry Christmas."



THE NEWEST DESIGNS IN WORKBAGS.

mas. As each hour strikes shut your eyes, thrust in your hand and pull out the first package you touch."

One attractive bag for a grown person might be made of Japanese crepe and filled with any of the knickknacks which are to be picked up for 25 cents—or as many dollars—in any Japanese bazaar. Some appropriate gifts are a package of orris root, sachet, a print in soft tones of some oriental maiden or snow capped mountain, a painted fan, a teacup, of this china, a tiny carved bone or ivory charm.

A child's bag could hold a picture book, some Christmas stories, a doll or woolly lamb or bear, a small Santa Claus, a reindeer, a holly figured hair ribbon for a girl or a penknife, which suggests happier days to a boy.

The workbags seen in the illustration are two of the newest designs in this useful article.

Thoroughness an Asset.

One qualification a business girl should cultivate, if she wants to give satisfaction and to be sure always of a position, is thoroughness. The girl who does things thoroughly is a joy to her employer. Let her have that reputation and a business man will bolt the office door for fear she will escape before he can engage her.

The girl who half does her work is everywhere. The girl who is thorough is rare. And, like all rare things, she is prized.

Everywhere thoroughness is rated high. All lines of work require it. It is a quality that employers need most urgently. It is absolutely essential to successful business. A business man can't afford to jeopardize his business by placing it in the hands of the girl who half does her work. He knows that the injurious results of neglect, forgetfulness or indifference may be far-reaching.

When a girl acquires a reputation for thoroughness, when it becomes known that she can be absolutely depended upon to do thoroughly what is intrusted to her, that no part of her work will be left undone, no part done carelessly, she will never be out of a position long.

Don'ts For Engaged Girls.

Don't exhibit him to your women friends as you would a new hat.

Don't think he's neglecting you because he isn't neglecting his business.

Don't note his virtues before noticing his vices. You will love him for both.

Don't ask his opinions on woman's rights. You will never get the truth until after you are married.

Don't be dictated to by all your female relatives. Remember they would like to marry him themselves.

Don't keep the past a closed book. Remember the past is never wholly your own property. Let him protect your interests.

Don't call him clever if he isn't. You are certain to tell him the reverse after you are married.

Don't keep a diary. You may want to burn it.

Don't forget he wants more mothering than when a boy.

Don't flirt with him.

"I hope your novel ends happily?"

"Indeed, it does. It ends in the marriage of the heroine and hero; does not go into their married life at all."—Houston Post.

Wigwag—You are drinking too much, old man. I should think you would consent to be treated for it.

Guzzler—Thanks, old chap. Don't care if I do. I'll have a cocktail.—Philadelphia Record.

About its name I had no doubt When I arrived in Terra Haute.

But soon I met a gay saloot, Who said the town was Terra Hoot.

I might have had plain sailing, but Another called it Terra Hut.

And others, I was pained to note, Were pleased to call it Terra Hote.

And then I gave it up, you know, And moved away to Kokomo.

—Washington Herald.

Her Sound Advice.

The prominent citizen and favorite son sat at his desk, deeply immersed in the cares of his wide affairs. A delegation of party leaders was ushered in.

"Sir," said the spokesman, "you have been unanimously chosen as the party's candidate for governor of the state. Under present conditions a nomination is tantamount to election, and we urge your acceptance. The office seeks the man."

"Gentlemen," said the favorite son, "I am profoundly impressed by the honor done me, but before I accept I must consult my wife. I never take a decisive step without consulting my wife."

The committee bowed and withdrew. At home the favorite son confided the circumstances to his wife, who listened with fond pride and wifely admiration.

"And now," he said in conclusion, "what would you advise me to do?"

"John," she said, "you must get your hair trimmed."—Savannah News.

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